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El Al seeks charters

By DANIEL SAVILLE

JERUSALEM —

El Al, Israel's national airline, has proposed to the government that it be permitted to set up its own subsidiary to operate charter flights to Israel from any part of the world as defined by existing regulations. Meanwhile, the Israel Ministry of Tourism is pressing again for charter flights from Montreal and Toronto.

The El Al decision, while doubtless causing raised eyebrows, has come after long and careful deliberations of its position. The most serious of the many reasons for the El Al change of policy is that it already sees the introduction of charters from the U.S. west coast, inaugurated in November 1976, as making serious inroads to the national carrier's most profitable revenue earning route — the North Atlantic.

While it was always asserted by charter "experts" that they would not affect the national carrier's traffic, there are already clear indications that the opposite is, in fact, the case. At the present time, the charter operations from Europe are not seen as proving a serious competitor.

El Al is not alone in its fears of the charter inroads. The other scheduled carriers operating to Europe have also voiced concern — and this could lead even to loss of invaluable traffic if the position worsens. As the national airline, El Al must of necessity compete in any business to Israel in order to maintain its vital 50% of all traffic flow on the Israel route.

It is no idle boast that El Al is somewhat responsible for the popularity of Israel as a tourist destination. It annually spends millions of dollars in promoting Israel while, at the same time, continually seeks to expand its route network to ensure an increased flow of tourists. El Al's most recent accomplishment was the opening of the new route from Mexico to Israel.

With the granting of charter flights from the west coast to Israel, El Al obviously sees full justification in being granted similar rights. For many years, El Al, in co-operation with United Airlines, has successfully brought tourists to Israel from Los Angeles — a partnership which was fruitful to all concerned. This is now dangerously threatened with the 747 charter flights.

The opening up of charters to Israel is not without pitfalls. Most charter passengers are considered to be in the middle class income bracket. Thus their flight and stay must be based on this factor.

Another deterrent to charters is flexibility. A flight on a regular scheduled flight offers numerous advantages and passengers can pick a date of their choice and return after 14, 21, or 45 days as desired.

PIED PIPER OF JERUSALEM

With Jerusalem's variegated scenery in the background, children are led on sightseeing trip of the golden city. (Mike Goldberg photograph)

Government has facilitated the boycott: report

Prof. Irwin Cotler

OTTAWA [Staff] —

The Canadian government, through its agencies and officials, has acquiesced in and facilitated the application of the Arab boycott in this country, an independent citizens' commission of inquiry has learned.

In a 100-page report released Thursday in Ottawa, the commission discloses a Canadian "pattern of compliance and complicity with the Arab boycott in both the private and public sectors."

Prof. Irwin Cotler, head of the commission, told The Canadian Jewish News that unless Ottawa buttresses its recently announced anti-boycott measures with legislation prohibiting compliance and with statutory instruments and administrative directives of a specific character, its policy "stands to be undermined."

Cotler, a law professor at McGill University, warned that "we're in danger of creating two kinds of corporate citizens in Canada: those who flout government policy and stand to be rewarded for it, and those who respect it and are penalized for it."

Calling the present situation "absurd," Cotler said the commission's long awaited report proves there is "a real Canadian connection to the Arab boycott," which reportedly affects some 119 Canadian firms.

He said the commission — which began its work some four months ago — reached the following conclusions:

— Canadian chartered banks process letters of credit with boycott-related provisions;

— Canadian firms comply with foreign-imposed boycotts of both a secondary and tertiary nature;

— Canadian boards of trade — including those in Montreal and Vancouver — provide documentation showing that companies in Canada have complied with the boycott;

— Ottawa, through its agencies and officials, has acquiesced in and facilitated the application of the Arab boycott in Canada;

— Non-Arab League nations, particularly Third World states, are becoming increasingly involved in the application of the boycott;

— The blacklist of Canadian firms appears to be predicated as much upon religious discrimination as on any other ground;

— Discriminatory clauses are clearly present in sales

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22 pre-schools face dim future

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

The future of the 22 Jewish pre-schools in the Montreal area has been put in doubt following the implementation of new regulations on Jan. 1 governing the operation of day care centres and nursery schools.

The new ruling, proposed by the Liberal government last year, will transfer jurisdiction over these schools from the Social Affairs Ministry to the Education Department.

This means that to operate, the pre-school must have a permit, be open a certain number of hours a week, meet teacher qualification standards, serve children only four years old and up, and follow a set program. Actual enforcement of the new regulations will not occur until the present school year is finished.

Opponents say the new regulations will alter the pre-schools' structure so radically that they will cease to exist. Parents of pre-school children and officials of these schools believe the government is trying to transform them into day care centres.

Until now, the pre-schools have been legally classified as day care centres, operating under permits issued by the Social Affairs Department. Longer hours and higher teacher qualifications would mean higher tuition fees, it is felt.

Parents are obliged to work in the schools for a fixed number of hours per month, either as teachers' aides or in some administrative capacity.

Jewish pre-schools operate out of the day schools, several synagogues and the YM-YWHA branches. Day care centres are subsidized by the government on a sliding scale according to the parents' income and must stay open 35-50 hours per week to accommodate the children of working mothers.

The Jewish Education Council will complete a full report on the situation of pre-school education by the end of this month, director Rabbi Meyer Krentzman said.

The three-year-old Jewish Education Council itself is undergoing some major structural changes. Plans are underway to integrate the Association of Jewish Day Schools into the Council and, for the first time, a professional has been hired full time in the Council office at Allied

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Opinions divided on plan to merge fund drives for Israeli universities

TORONTO [Staff] —

Spokesmen for the Canadian chapters of Israeli universities are ambivalent about the idea of consolidating fund-raising campaigns under the aegis of an overseeing body.

Those favoring a "council" of universities to co-ordinate the drives of the seven major institutions argue that such an organization would pare down administrative costs and overlapping campaigns. (United Jewish Appeal, Israel Bonds and United Israel Appeal leaders have all charged that proliferation of campaigns threaten their annual drives.)

Opponents of the measure insist each school has an individual flavor and appeal, and actual dollars raised in a joint drive would diminish.

The long-standing debate was rekindled by the recent creation in Ottawa of such a council to avoid a scramble for membership and financial support. Operating under the auspices of the Vaad Ha'Ir, the council has adopted several guidelines to regulate all groups. These are:

— membership fees for chapters may not exceed $50 per year;

— one major fund-raising function will be held yearly to support bursaries, scholarships and grants, with the proceeds divided among participants according to a formula now being devised, and

— formal campaigns for capital funds or special projects will not be held, but each institution may privately contact individuals — with the council's clearance — for honorarial or memorial gifts. Chairman of the Ottawa council is Hyman Bessin.

President of the Canadian Friends of Tel Aviv University, Allan Glassman, is impressed with the idea. "There is a tremendous duplication in costs and effort," he says, adding "a lot of money is emotionally directed rather than logically directed." The younger, "secondary" schools have suffered because of the strong appeal of the older, more "established" institutions such as Hebrew University and the Weizmann Institute, says Glassman.

He favors a joint campaign and suggests a formula be developed along enrolment lines — with the highest percentage of funds allocated to the university with the largest enrolment.

Jack Chisvin, Toronto chapter president of Canadian Technion Society, also supports a combined campaign. "In competing for the same dollars," he says, "you get a lot of people who don't give any; the potential donor gets off the hook." Costs for emissaries could also be trimmed in a consolidated effort.

Donors to a joint drive should have the option to direct funds to a specific institution, if they so desire, says Chisvin. And an equitable formula could weigh a number of factors including enrolment, sources of income, needs, and universality.

Also favoring a controlling mechanism is J.C. Horwitz, Canadian Friends of Haifa University vice-president. Israeli universities now operate under the Ministry of Education and there is no reason, he says, why such a consolidation couldn't work in the Diaspora.

Ambivalent about the concept, Ray Wolfe, Canadian Friends of Haifa president, says there are compelling arguments for both sides. A central campaign runs the risk of losing special interest gifts while individual drives could water down the total

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UIA exceeds expectations

By LEWIS LEVENDEL
Associate Editor

TORONTO —

Despite an estimated 10 to 15% decline in population in the communities it serves, the United Israel Appeal of Ontario surpassed expectations by raising the same amount of money it received a year ago. There was higher individual giving than in other years, reported the UIA, which does not release figures.

"We did much better than anticipated," a smiling Alex Serota, UIA Ontario chairman, told The Canadian Jewish News in a year-end interview. "Most of our 29 communities came through in fine fashion."

The UIA link with those communities in many cases is the only communication Jews there have with the outside Jewish world, he said. It services all communities (about 3,800 families) in the province except Toronto, Ottawa and towns east of Kingston. It has three paid staff members; all others are volunteers.

Besides UIA executives and personnel, Israelis serving here plus leaders such as Phil Givens and Phil Granovsky go to the towns as speakers. Chairman Serota, long one of the most outspoken of Jewish leaders, made 20 visits this past year.

These communities have a definite desire for identification with the Jewish world, he said. They want information to be part of an active Jewish world. But part of the problem is that young people are leaving the smaller towns and heading towards the cities.

The communities are asking for more Russian immigrants with promises to help them get established. Serota thinks there should be a program of distribution of newcomers to the towns because "their chances of being looked after are better."

Said Ben Ocopnick, the personable executive director of UIA Ontario: "We're concerned about the diminution of these communities. Most want to survive as a community...But if the outflow of their children continues, these communities will not survive."

Added Serota: "They need an injection of a new Jewish pioneering spirit."

One of UIA Ontario's priorities is getting newcomer civil servants, academics and professionals involved in the Jewish communities. "The more people who become actively involved in every community ensures the continuity of leadership, resulting in close tangible identification of those communities with Israel and world Jewry," Serota explained.

All funds collected go to UIA Canada for distribution to Israel except Windsor, Hamilton and London, where about 70% goes to Israel. Every contributor of $25 and over gets a subscription to The CJN, which Serota terms "the lifeline of communities in northern Ontario."

The men cited direct personal relationships for the success in UIA Ontario drives. This UIA office is unique in Canada because of the widespread geographic area it covers. Some of the growing communities in terms of Jewish populations are Oakville, Barrie, Kitchener and Dundas, while Windsor is showing a sharp decline.

Serota expressed deep concern about the economic situation in Israel and in the Diaspora which resulted in drastic budget cuts by the Jerusalem government and the Jewish Agency, especially in areas such as education, health and housing. He called on Ontario Jewry to increase its efforts in order that these needs are met.

One of the striking organizational achievements during the past year was the complete acceptance of the women's division under the chairmanship of Joan Lipson, he reported. She led an edu-

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Few carry burden of providing gifts for UJA campaign

TORONTO —

About 20% of the contributors give 80% of the total raised annually by the United Jewish Appeal and about 50% of the community does not make a gift, according to Joe Berman, chairman of the 1977 United Jewish Appeal campaign.

Berman cited these statistics in an interview on the Shalom television program seen in Toronto last week. He was interviewed by Ron Appleby, treasurer of the Toronto Jewish Congress.

Joe Berman

Berman said the Toronto community has a credible record of support for the UJA but he stressed that a great deal more has to be raised just to maintain the present programs in Israel and in the local community.

He said the Guide for Giving, introduced for the 1977 campaign, provides logical guidelines as to what makes up a nominal UJA gift. It suggests gifts, based on ability to pay, ranging from less than 1% up to 11¼% of income. It proposes also that contributors give 1.5% of capital.

"Every member of the family — husband, wife, child — should be a contributor," Berman said.

Ron Appleby, the interviewer, said it was logical that he should discuss the campaign with Berman "because as treasurer of the TJC I head up the committee which allocates the money Joe raises."

Fiat won't obey any boycott plan

ROME [JCNS] —

Libya's huge investment in the Fiat car manufacturing firm and her representation on Fiat's governing bodies will not make any difference from the political point of view, says Giovanni Agnelli, the head of the Italian company.

Libya will have two seats on Fiat's 15-member administrative board and one on its five-member executive board. Asked what would happen if the Libyans began to put pressure on the company to adhere to the Arab boycott of Israel or to exclude the representative of the Lazard Freres banking firm from Fiat's governing bodies, Agnelli replied: "We shall never make concessions of a political nature.

"The management of the company is based on economic principles. I don't think it will happen, but if it were to do so, the problem would be submitted to the board and the majority would decide. The Libyans would be in the minority."

Fiat has sold 2,112 cars in Israel this year, about the same number as in previous years. Agnelli said that he did not see why this situation should change, "unless the Israeli public decides to react negatively. I would be very sorry if this were to happen."

When asked if Fiat might establish an assembly plant in Israel, Agnelli said: "Yes, if we felt that it would be a good proposition from an economic point of view. Our viewpoint has not changed."

He said that American reaction to the deal with Libya had been "rather favorable." The media in the United States, in which, Agnelli stated, "the Jewish presence is strong and authoritative," had also taken a favorable view of the deal.

He added that he would be deeply sorry if American Jews stopped buying Fiats in protest.

Alex Serota, UIA Ontario chairman (right), confers with staff members Ben Ocopnick, executive director (left), Abe Tooch, special emissary from Israel and Thalma Robins, secretarial assistant, on year-end collection. (Leo Hausman)

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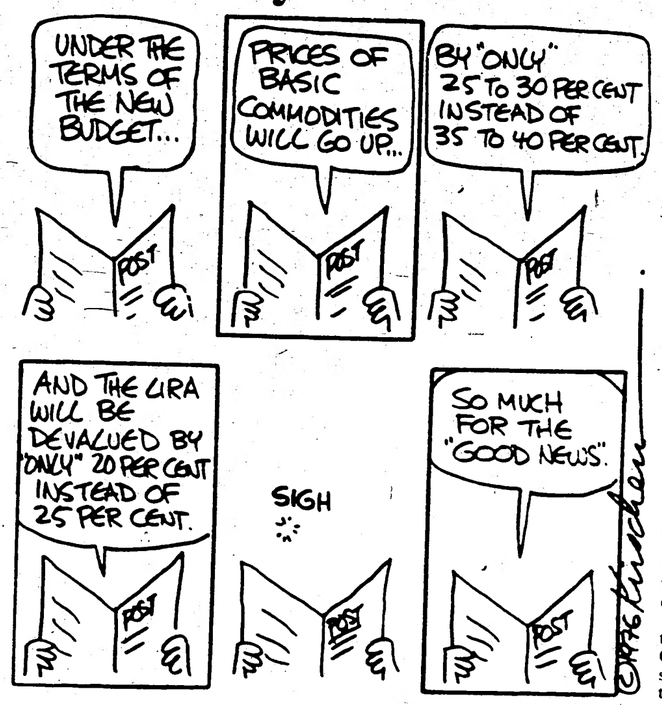
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Funeral of minister attended by thousands

TEL AVIV [JTA] —

Avraham Ofer, the housing minister who committed suicide, was buried at the Kiryat Shaul cemetery here last week.

The funeral, during a cold winter rain storm, was attended by thousands of mourners headed by President Ephraim Katzir and Premier Yitzhak Rabin.

Rabin, in a solemn eulogy, said he had told Ofer, only a day before his death, that he believed him innocent of allegations of wrong-doing in a housing company scandal, the pressures of which had caused him to take his life.

The throng at the cemetery stood apart from Ofer's widow and three sons as the latter recited the kaddish at the gravesite. Then the El Moleh Rachamim was chanted followed by the final prayer, Tziduk Ha Din, and the funeral was over.

Silently the cabinet ministers, Knesset members, Histadrut officials, the

Avraham Ofer

honor guard and the many friends and associates of Ofer departed the rain-swept graveyard.

Only a few hours earlier, information emanating from "most highly placed sources" said that police investigators had checked out 27 of the 32 charges brought against Ofer and found them baseless.

The inquiry into the remaining charges was not completed and probably never will be. Legal experts pointed out that it is virtually impossible, as well as unjust, to investigate the deeds of a man now dead who cannot answer questions that may arise in a continued investigation.

Thus, Ofer's name may never be fully cleared as he had predicted it would be in his suicide note. But Rabin sought to dispel lingering doubts about Ofer's integrity.

"Here we stand," he said, "pained and mournful over the coffin of our friend Ofer whose life was a symbol of a generation that bore the burden of the preparations for statehood and the establishment of the state, its upbuilding, its development.

"Avraham was a mixture of an ardent lover of literature and poetry, and yet a man of excellent executive ability, readiness to help a friend, fighting for his views even if they were not accepted by the majority."

Former Toronto rabbi, Notta Schiller, is seen with Prime Minister Rabin on a visit to Jerusalem's Yeshiva Ohr Somayach Joseph and Faye Tanenbaum College. It specializes in introductory programs in Jewish studies for university students who had no previous training in the field.

New oleh policy

JERUSALEM [JCNS] —

Under the policy of directing newcomers to development towns rather than to the big cities, the Ministry of Immigrant Absorption has established an absorption centre at Yamit, on the north Sinai coast. Mostly university-trained people will be sent to Yamit, which is to become the administrative, educational and business centre for the dozen or so farming settlements in the Rafah region.

PLO leader plans return

NEW YORK —

The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith has disclosed that Sabri Jiryis, a Palestine Liberation Organization official who last fall was ordered to leave the country for possession of a fraudulent passport, plans to return this month under the "pretext" of a speaking engagement.

In actuality, ADL charged, his "major objective" is to open a PLO propaganda office in Washington.

The disclosure was contained in a letter to Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger from Arnold Forster, ADL's associate director and general counsel.

The letter requested information concerning State Department action to bar Jiryis' re-entry in light of his "previous subterfuge." It also called attention to the department's policy which "unequivocally rejected" the idea of a PLO office in Washington as recently as Nov. 23, when an official spokesman said the U.S. did not regard it as "a propitious moment."

Citing "reliable information," Forster said that Jiryis, director of the Institute of Palestine Studies — the PLO's research arm — "ostensibly" will claim to come to address a February conference of the American Friends Service Committee in Washington. Once admitted, however, the PLO propagandist will again, as he did during his last visit, try to open a PLO office there.

Forster pointed out that because of the PLO's "well-published terrorist activities," persons affiliated with the organization have been treated officially as "undesirable aliens", requiring each to obtain waivers before being allowed entry.

Before granting Jiryis permission to re-enter, Forster stressed, the State Department should consider that its own investigation in November led him to be expelled, in effect, for his misuse of a Sudanese passport.

This "fraudulent entry," Forster declared, is but one manifestation of the PLO's "flagrant disregard" for government rules, regulations, and procedures.

Specifically, he referred to State Department confirmation of ADL's earlier charges that members of the PLO observer delegation to the United Nations had violated terms.

MKs criticize Almogi

JERUSALEM [JCNS] —

There has been widespread criticism of Yosef Almogi, the chairman of the World Zionist Organization and Jewish Agency, who is considered by many critics not to measure up to the importance of his job.

Two Labor Knesset members, Yossi Sarid and Rabbi Menachem Cohen, have accused Almogi of "not adequately representing the Zionist movement in his meetings with Jewish communities abroad."

Another person who considers that Almogi has "proved unsuitable" to head the WZO and Jewish Agency is Mrs. Raya Yaglom, the president of world WIZO (Women's International Zionist Organization).

She said as much in an interview appearing in the independent Hebrew-language daily, "Haaretz," recently. Mrs. Yaglom claimed Almogi had made a particularly poor impression during recent meetings of the Agency executive in London.

Almogi should be replaced as soon as possible by Arye Dultzin, the WZO and Agency treasurer, Mrs. Yaglom said. She also urged that the post of president of the organizations should be revived and that it should go to Moshe Dayan, the former defence minister.

Dayan told the JCNS he was not interested.

Mrs. Yaglom's attack on Almogi was among the topics discussed at the WZO executive meeting here. Almogi sat quietly through the heated meeting, at which a number of members studiously refrained from expressing support for him, though regretting "the style and timing" of Mrs. Yaglom's interview.

Dultzin, however, was far from quiet. He declared that Mrs. Yaglom's views about Almogi were "not uncommon." They were, in fact, widely held, Dultzin added, asking: "Why can't the truth be spoken?"

Almogi replied: "The time has still to come when we shall look into the activities of the Jewish Agency's treasury department."

Mrs. Yaglom told the executive that the interview represented her personal opinions and in no way reflected the official WIZO attitude.

U.S. Jewish Congress rejects reports on Jews

NEW YORK —

The American Jewish Congress rejected as "totally without confirmation" reports coming in from Damascus alleging relaxation of the treatment of Syrian Jews.

"We wish the story were true" Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, president of the Congress, said in commenting on the news report.

Rabbi Hertzberg charged the report was "merely another mirage generated by the current Arab 'peace offensive'." He stated:

"These maneuvers are nothing more than an elaborate propaganda strategy designed to create the belief that Arab states are moderate and conciliatory, without requiring them to take any action to make real the illusions they seek to create. The report from Damascus itself acknowledges that these reports stem from Syrian President Assad's desire to win propaganda advantage abroad in anticipation of Arab-Israeli peace talks.

"The best way for the Kuwaiti story to be proved true would be for Syrian Jews to arrive at the borders of other countries. Unfortunately, no Jews have thus far been permitted to leave Syria. Until that happens, the life of Syrian Jews will remain as oppressive, terror-stricken and perilous as ever."

Rabbi Hertzberg concluded: "It is interesting that discrimination that had been steadfastly denied is now reportedly being 'ended'".

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'Hawk' heads Hamilton campaign

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
Education of the public is the prime concern of tough-talking Dr. Michael Molot, whose appointment as chairman of Hamilton's 1977 United Jewish Welfare Fund campaign was announced recently by UJWF president Abby Goldblatt.

Because in the past "people have not been sufficiently cognizant of community needs there has to be a whole new education process," he says as the Hamilton campaign gets under way. "Unless the community is subsidized, Israel cannot be viable."

Equally important is getting people to realize just what giving is "and it is time," he adds, "that people start giving up something of their material goods."

Molot, a 39-year-old radiologist with the Hamilton General Hospital who also teaches at the McMaster Medical School, is unashamedly aggressive when it comes to raising money. He describes himself as very blunt, a hawk, and says his wife's greatest fear when he became chairman was that he would not have any friends left after the campaign is over.

But he wants the people to realize that by giving to the UJWF "they are putting it (the money) towards their kids' future." And he warns that if local community needs are not subsidized, "in time, our children will become much more assimilated."

He lauds the scheme adopted by the Ottawa community whereby parents with children in religious schools who do not contribute enough to cover their child's education costs are sent to social services for assessment of their financial situation. If it is found they can afford to pay, they are requested to do so.

When he suggested a similar approach to Hamilton's rabbis, they turned it down saying that it is every child's right to get an education.

Similarly, he feels that laggards should be embarrassed into giving more, but this idea was turned down by the professionals

Dr. Michael Molot

who prefer to take the more polite approach of waiting "because the fellow may give more next year."

"But what have we got to lose?" queries Molot. "I feel very strongly about it and maybe in that sense I am a hawk."

He suggests that a whole new approach may be needed and says that with some people "you really have to get down to basics." He is concerned about young males, those in the 20-21-year age group, who appear to have money for what they want "but cannot spare $100 or so for Israel."

He blames their parents, who themselves may not be giving anything but says that here, perhaps, the professional may have to step in.

In their own home the Molots are setting a good example to their three daughters, Carolyn 13, Debbie 11 and nine-year-old Andrea, who cannot help but grow up with a sense of community involvement.

Their father was chairman of a UIA young leadership group, is active in B'nai B'rith and a member of the Beth Jacob synagogue board of education.

Their mother, Shirley, has taken part in previous UJWF campaigns and is a very busy Hadassah member whose most recent big job was co-convening the bazaar.

Both are natives of Ottawa, but moved to the Hamilton area seven years ago from Montreal, where Molot received his medical education.

Rabbi and Mrs. Harry Stern visited Israel recently. With them is Rabbi Seymour Zambrowsky (left), head of World Mizrachi. Rabbi Stern is rabbi emeritus of Montreal's Temple Emanu-El. They stand before Western Wall.

Alleged Nazi collaborator

Trifa may seek to immigrate to Canada

Archbishop admits membership in fascist Iron Guard

TORONTO [Staff] —
Romanian Archbishop Valerian Trifa, an alleged Nazi collaborator facing a U.S. government court suit and possible deportation, may seek asylum in Canada.

Rev. Roland de Corneille, director of the B'nai B'rith League for Human Rights, says informants south of the border have indicated that Trifa has privately voiced an interest in immigrating here and has personal connections in this country.

Sources in the Bulgarian Orthodox Church, says Rev. de Corneille, claim the archbishop, a former commandant in the fascist Iron Guard, may turn to South America or Canada should the U.S. Justice Department and the Immigration and Naturalization Service, examining his case, find cause to deport him.

A Detroit court has already established that Trifa procured his American citizenship 25 years ago by misrepresenting his past connections with the Romanian collaborators.

Based on his information, Rev. de Corneille has launched a quiet, word-of-mouth campaign among Canadian clergymen to inform them of the archbishop's background and his possible entry here.

The Department of Manpower and Immigration in Ottawa would neither deny nor affirm whether Trifa had indeed filed an application, because of the anonymity of the procedure.

A spokesman for the Anti-Defamation League in the U.S. could not confirm the Canadian angle to the case and added that deportation would be at least three years away, following deprivation of citizenship.

The 62-year-old Trifa now lives on a 200-acre estate in Grass Lake, Michigan where he oversees a 10,000 member, 46-parish Romanian Orthodox church operation, located primarily in Ohio.

The Synagogue Council of America, national coordinating body of the three branches of American Judaism, recently called on the National Council of Churches to suspend Trifa from its board.

The archbishop's presence in the U.S. has provoked protest since his arrival in 1950. In the early part of the decade both Walter Winchell and Drew Pearson charged him with war crimes, and Jewish organizations sought an investigation into his background and citizenship rights.

Trifa has denied all charges but admits membership in the Iron Guard. The Guard was the green-shirted combat arm of the Legion of the Archangel Michael, a mystical Romanian fascist movement. At 26, Trifa led the National Union of Romanian Christian Students, a branch of the Legion.

Eyewitnesses have put the clergyman at the scene of a Bucharest massacre in January of 1941. Urging the slaughter of Jews in the city, he provoked the murder of a reported 236 people including 150 Jews, looting and desecration of synagogues and other Jewish institutions.

Some have put the death total far higher, well into the thousands, and witnesses, including Romanian Chief Rabbi Moses Rosen, have affirmed the archbishop's complicity in the atrocities.

Romanian governments, in both 1941 and 1945, found Trifa guilty of criminal offenses, in absentia. As early as 1957, the U.S. government was aware of the charges raised against Trifa, but claimed no evidence could substantiate the allegations.

The FBI questioned him in the mid '50s, but only on possible Communist activities — then the common stream of attack in the U.S. It was illegal when the clergyman applied for citizenship to belong to the Iron Guard.

However, two snags have arisen in the case. There is no extradition treaty now between the U.S. and Romania, and Trifa cannot actually be described as a war criminal in the sense of the Nuremburg Tribunal because his alleged criminal activities were undertaken at a time when Romania was not involved in World War II.

The editor of a Romanian-language paper in Ohio wrote President Gerald Ford to inform him of harassment on his community by Iron Guard sympathizers and to denounce Trifa's claim of religious leadership. The newsman also charged that supporters of a right-wing Romanian 'Action' group, linked to the Guard, were responsible for attacking the Romanian Consulate in Toronto a few years back.

Nat Hurwich

Bar-Ilan honors Hurwich

TORONTO —
Nat Hurwich, longtime Toronto community leader, is to be honored through the establishment of a professor's chair at Bar-Ilan University to be known as the Nathan O. Hurwich Chair in Community Relations.

The chair's activities will be centred in Bar-Ilan's School of Social Work and is expected to be occupied by Professor Ben Lappin, a former Torontonian.

As founding president of the Toronto chapter of the Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan University, Nat Hurwich has been actively engaged in bringing the university's message to the community, as well as being involved in Jewish education and other aspects of community work.

Formal presentation of the chair will be made at a dinner in his honor next June.

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Peace crusader

Neither war nor the expectancy of war blunts the idealism and enthusiasm of Abie Nathan, the crusading peace advocate.

Four Arab-Israeli wars, numerous border skirmishes and shrill rhetoric from both sides have not affected Nathan's self-proclaimed mission to bring peace to the Middle East. Though reconciliation is still an alien concept there, the Indian-born, Israeli citizen of the world takes the unorthodox view that peace is not as far off as the so-called realists contend.

Detractors accuse him of being naive and childish, and indeed he exhibits some of these qualities. But even his critics acknowledge his elan and business acumen.

Five months before the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War, he pooled his considerable financial resources, bought an old freighter and launched the Voice of Peace radio station. The message he preached was simple and perhaps simplistic: "Give peace a chance." The fourth Arab-Israel war doused his dream and figuratively shipwrecked him. But the setback did not dampen his ardor. For within months of the 1973 war, he was back again, his Peace Ship anchored in international waters off Tel Aviv.

This time around, Nathan approached the problem in a level-headed manner. The Voice of Peace II is a commercial venture which accepts paid advertisements. He has learned that a radio station cannot live on noble words alone. With a winning combination of rock music, classical favorites and intelligent talk programs, the former El Al captain's station is now a profitable enterprise.

Nathan's operation is illegal, since he broadcasts on a frequency which he appropriated for himself, and is not subject to Israeli regulations. The authorities do not harass him, although it is within their power to do so. Why do they tolerate this gadfly? It is hard to say, but the existence of a station which promotes Arab-Israeli amity does Israel's image good.

Until this month, Egypt — the most important Arab country likely to make an agreement with Israel — had no use for Abie Nathan's Peace Ship. Officials in Cairo dismissed him as an Israeli propagandist. However, two weeks ago, the Egyptians allowed him to sail his ship cum radio station through the Suez Canal. Observers saw Egypt's gesture as an encouraging sign that it is ready for an accommodation with Israel. Israelis were alternately amused and thrilled by Nathan's exploit, though not so certain what it really meant.

Despite his very real achievements, the sceptics will probably continue to ridicule Abie Nathan for being a foolish dreamer and a figure of fun. Those of us who know him will disagree, and with good reason. Must high hopes and sincere convictions be equated with foolishness? In Abie Nathan's case, we think not.

CBC's monumental goof

The failure of CBC-TV News to include the Entebbe drama in its year-end list of the most noteworthy news events of 1976, is a goof of monumental proportions. Its mystifying omission won't create an international crisis or impede the world unfolding as it should, but it raises one question which so far remains unanswered. Why? How did it come about that a program dedicated to recounting in capsule form the major stories of the year, missed what the Toronto Sun's Peter Worthington called "one of the milestone events of our times."

Reflections '76, the CBC production, dealt with a wide-ranging series of events backed up by comments from their array of news correspondents. How did it come about that the perceptive David Halton, who reported on Mideast developments, failed to speak of Israel's magnificent act, not even a bare mention of an event that captured the attention of the whole world? Or did he in fact deal with Entebbe only to have a CBC editor excise it from the production?

We don't know what happened. Attempts to obtain a statement from TV-News executive producer George James, who was responsible for **Reflections '76**, were unavailing. He did not answer our calls, though we were assured he had received messages left for him. And neither did other CBC executives when we called them.

Over the past several years the CBC has produced shows which trampled on the sensitivities of the Jewish community. Avowed enemies of Israel and Jews in general were filmed, all in the interests, so it was claimed, of fair play. These shows had shock value, and nothing of merit.

Deliberate omission or oversight due to someone's blunder? It would clear the air to have producer James tell us what happened.

Rescue of the hostages at Entebbe will live in history as a small nation's courageous and audacious answer to gangsterism and blackmail. It was easily one of the top news stories of the year, if not the top, yet the CBC was silent when it should have spoken. And that is very difficult to understand.

Nobel Prize calibre

When it comes time next year for the Nobel committee to begin its deliberations on the prize for literature it might well consider the candidacy of Elie Wiesel, if indeed it has not done so already.

Two significant honors have been accorded this gifted writer and thinker within the past few weeks. His works are the subject of several days of discussion by an international group of scholars and literary critics in New York City. Again, the Modern Languages Association, the professional association of university teachers of English and foreign languages has seen fit to organize a special section dedicated to analyzing the novels of Elie Wiesel.

What makes Elie Wiesel the current object of such prestige scrutiny?

He represents that brand of Jewish writer who has consistently refused to adapt his writing to the dubious benefits of so-called universal themes. He does not belong to that school of hypenated Jews, be they Canadian-Jews or American-Jews, who deem it necessary to transcend what they call "parochial Jewish concerns" in order to reach a wide audience.

The themes of Elie Wiesel are deeply and poignantly Jewish. In his novels, essays, short stories, articles and non-fiction works he has occupied himself obsessively with the Holocaust. His rehearsals of the horrors of the concentration camp and the pursuit of Jewish victims — fill the reader with sadness at the spectacle of Jewish suffering but also with admiration for the man who sees a holy obligation on his part to witness for others what occurred to European Jewry.

Wiesel poses deep questions in his works. He raises fundamental issues concerning Jewish identity, Israel, belief in God and the proper response to evil. Although his writing is highly polished, and at times, elegant, he never hesitates to address himself to even the most delicate topics. Christian culpability in the Holocaust is one such theme he deals with in a number of his works. One of the characters in a Wiesel novel says to a Christian friend: "If you Christians were less concerned about the salvation of the Jews then maybe Jewish cemeteries wouldn't be so full."

There is some difficulty in classifying Wiesel as a novelist. He is that, but far more. A brilliant journalist, his articles in French, English and Hebrew have awakened the conscience of men on every continent. A playwright, his depiction of Soviet Jewry's plight in **Zalman or the Madness of God**, utilized the art of the drama to publicize the brutal repression of the Russian state. A poet, his recent cantata on an ancient Jewish theme of suffering, married music to verse in order to make a powerful ethical statement.

A multi-dimensional man, he also labors in more traditional Jewish vineyards. His work on the great Chassidic teachers, **Souls on Fire** is a masterpiece of Jewish lore and religious fervor. In his recent **Messengers of God**, the author has explored the anguish and travail of the major biblical figures as they are refracted through the lens of the Midrashic literature. His next work, we are informed, will be an examination of the personality and teachings of the masters of the Talmud.

In his preoccupation with Jewish themes, Elie Wiesel has left his mark on our people but also on the world because Jewish fate is man's condition on a smaller scale. That is why Wiesel is the most universal of all Jewish writers.

Hope in Damascus

The plight of Syrian Jewry is well known. Ever since the establishment of Israel, the community has been subject to varying degrees of political, economic and social restrictions. Of all the communities in the Arab world, the Syrian Jewish one has suffered the most.

In recent months, a flurry of unsubstantiated reports have suggested that Damascus has eased conditions for its 4,500 Jews. The latest report is put out by Al Qabas, a Kuwaiti newspaper which says Syria has ended its travel, employment and property restrictions. It is difficult to say with any certainty what motives may be behind Syria's alleged decision. Perhaps Syria's aim is to influence public opinion in the U.S. over a future Arab-Israeli settlement. Whatever the reason, we hope the reports are true. Syrian Jewry has lived too long in the shadow of tyranny.

Community responsibilities felt with passion by Exton

By LEWIS LEVENDEL
Associate Editor

TORONTO —

Looking out at the panorama of the city from the revolving restaurant atop the downtown Holiday Inn, businessman and community leader Eric Exton concluded two hours of conversation by asking rhetorically: "In what other country is it possible for a penniless refugee to become a president of a public financial institute?"

The German-born Exton arrived in Canada during the Second World War from Britain where he had been interned. In a few years, he has risen to head Seel Enterprises Ltd. and various other affiliates, the Society of Accredited Mortgage Brokers in Ontario, the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care and Canadian Friends of Boys Town.

It's obvious in any conversation with the 57-year-old financier that community service is most definitely a major part of his life. He speaks of Boys Town and Baycrest with much enthusiasm and even passion. Ask questions about them, his face lights up, literature appears out of nowhere and he's off on a verbal express train.

"We're leaders in the field of geriatrics," he speaks of Baycrest. "The attitude here is that residents come to live, not to die. We try to breathe new life into them."

Beginning in the spring, he'll be heading the final campaign to gain $2.6 million to hit the $9.8 million goal of the Baycrest Expansion Drive. He realizes this will be the hardest to get because the large donors have already given.

Exton spends 16 to 18 hours a day on his businesses and community service. He was interviewed in his spacious, tastefully decorated quarters in the University-Dundas area. On his office walls, along with prints of Prague and England, are a copper work by his wife Esther, (who is president of the Baycrest Women's Auxiliary), a few other art pieces and numerous awards.

In 1971, during his third trip to Israel, Exton and his wife visited Boys Town. "After about an hour, the impression it made on me dwarfed everything else I had seen in Israel."

Soon afterward, Canadian Friends of Boys Town was organized. In three years, $1.2 million has been raised for the Jerusalem institution which teaches mainly Sephardic children a trade, while steeping them in Judaism.

A tribute to the institution, he remarks, is that he sought to find a graduate in Canada to help in fund-raising, but not one of the 25,000 grads had come here. "When finished with school, these boys are the most desirable young men Israel produces," he declares.

Although he's very much involved in raising money for both organizations he heads, Exton stresses that from Nov. 15 to March 15 during the United Jewish Appeal drive, his campaigns are dormant. And all other bodies should cease raising funds during that period, he adds.

Community leader Eric Exton has had a varied life. He is the son of a German store owner.

However, he expresses opposition to any attempt to combine appeals because of the multiplicity of drives. "The results would be substantially less for all," he continues. "Lots of people give to certain organizations, but wouldn't give to others...It's an affinity thing."

He does not foresee the law of diminishing returns setting in, but admits the second generation will not be as generous as the first. "My reaction to Israel where Jews can go freely is going to be greater than that of those who have lived all their lives with Israel....We have a responsibility to teach our successors to help Israel. We must stress the importance of education as the most essential facet of Jewish life."

Son of a department store owner in a small industrial town near Dresden, Exton went to Czechoslovakia as a trainee in a textile business and later to a German school to study industrial chemistry.

He was the only Jew at the school. (He was only allowed to attend because his father served in World War I.) The students at the institution were not allowed to speak to him. However, the silence was broken when a classmate tipped him off on the eve of the infamous Crystallnacht. Young Eric, by a combination of good sense and good luck, managed to evade arrest.

In April, 1939, he obtained a permit to go to England. He explained if you had a place to go, you could get out, but could take very little money. Following internment in Britain in 1940, he was shipped to a camp in Sherbrooke. One of the first Jews he met there was Saul Hayes, now the retired professional head of the Canadian Jewish Congress.

His sister, who was already in Canada, helped him get a $14-a-week job at Atlas Chemicals. He later worked at Sandoz Chemicals until he happened to see the $67-a-week paycheque of the chief chemist. "I realized I'd have to work 17 years to make that much money."

Soon after, following a stint as an encyclopedia salesman, he began to work as a salesman for Giftcraft Ltd., distributor of giftware, and within a year was a partner. After eight years, he began to buy lots and started to build houses, renovate old homes and take mortgages.

In a little more than 20 years, Seel Enterprises has grown to become one of the leading lenders among Ontario's privately-owned mortgage brokerage companies. And Seel was the first company given approval by the federal government to set up a mortgage investment corporation (MIC) to draw more investment capital into the residential mortgage market. An MIC is a company which administers a portfolio of mortgages of varying maturity under the management of an advisory group of specialists. Shares are offered to the public-at-large.

On two occasions, Exton has chaired the advisory board under the Mortgage Brokers Registration Act of Ontario for the Department of Consumer and Commercial Affairs. He is known in his industry for helping elevate the level of mortgage brokerage and lending in this province. He also writes a column, Mortgage Mysteries, for Ontario Mortgage Brokers Association.

Not surprisingly, he says less interference in the marketplace by Ottawa would lead to a quicker economic recovery. And he notes Canada has already been weakened in the eyes of the international business community because of uncertainty about the Quebec situation.

When he gets a chance to relax, he enjoys reading trade journals, newspapers and going to the theatre, ballet, opera and restaurants. But judging from his current commitments, he has little time for these pursuits, much to the benefit of the community as a whole.

Letters to the Editor

'Refugee policy has dangerous potential'

Dear Editor:

In your profile of the deputy minister of manpower and immigration (Allan Gotlieb projects anonymous image yet his work is at the centre of attention, Oct. 15, 1976) you state that "he...developed an immigration and refugee policy which Parliament is shortly to vote on" as if this was somehow to his credit. I disagree.

It is disappointing that an immigration bill which is essentially legislation to enable the government to close the doors at will has not been strongly opposed by the Jewish community. It demonstrates a short memory. The purported reason for controlling immigration at this time is to make immigration responsive to the manpower needs of the country. As Betcherman points out in **The Swastika and The Maple Leaf**, high unemployment was the explanation that Mackenzie King offered for his policy of not admitting East European refugees fleeing from Hitler. The unemployment rate at the time — 3%.

More specifically, the new refugee policy which finds expression in the new bill contains a clause which renders inadmissible to Canada "persons who there are reasonable grounds to believe are likely, while in Canada, to engage in or instigate the subversion by force of **any** government." (my emphasis) This prohibition would apply even if the person is found to be a refugee protected by the United Nations Convention and Protocol Relating to the Status of Refugees.

The purpose of this section is to exclude persons instigating or engaging in the overthrow by force of non-democratic governments, an exclusion which did not exist previously. However I believe that the section goes too far and that its possible consequences should be of concern to the Jewish community.

Historical examples stand out. Members of not only the Stern gang and the Irgun but also the Hagannah would today be inadmissible to Canada if they were likely to engage in or instigate their causes. Similarly, someone wise enough and brave enough to oppose the government of Germany in 1938 by force. More topically, there is the case of Argentina.

Getting back to the series on mandarins, I think that The Canadian Jewish News has a duty not to give its readers laudatory little biographies of persons just because they have succeeded in Canadian life and are Jewish. The space and the reporter's talents would be better spent in analyzing the issues that these civil servants are involved in.

Brent Knazan,
Toronto

Dear Editor:

Without wanting to engage in the type of **ad hominem** vituperation which graces Israeli-in-exile (?) Shlomo Perel's diatribe against me in the Dec. 17 issue of The CJN, it would appear appropriate that Mr. Perel perhaps consider who in fact applies "racial politics" with reference to alleged claims in re Palestine.

Gush Emunim, fully supported by the so-called National Religious (sic!) Party and the Greater Erez Israel Movement, has consistently misrepresented scriptures in order to prove some sort of right by descent to Palestine. Shlomo Perel, this "progressive" and allegedly non-Gush Emunim Zionist, reiterates such racialist theory by his contention that the Tanach promised a larger territory to the "Jews". One wonders who is really into what he styles "racial politics", he or I.

Gush Emunim and the Greater Erez Israel savants at the University of Toronto or at Bar Ilan University have consistently alleged that Palestine belongs to the community of all those presently identified as "Jews". If this is not a racist argument, I do not know what else it is supposed to be: claim is entered as to physical descent from the ancient Israelites and Judeans. This is a not very ingenuous Blut und Boden sort of philosophy.

The Gush Emunim-Greater Erez Israel contention is certainly specious in light of the realities as to the anthropology of Jews. Quite regardless of Arthur Koestler's recent assessment, whether or not "discredited" as claimed by the most knowledgeable Shlomo Perel, Almighty God is not in the real estate business nor is He in charge of a Heavenly land register on which Palestine has been deeded to the world's contemporary Jews or Israelites or Mosaists or Hebrews.

It is so very gracious of Mr. Shlomo Perel, that he is willing to also grant rights of self-determination to the Palestinians. I am quite certain, that the Palestinian Arabs will be as grateful to "Progressive" Zionist Perel, as the Blacks of Rhodesia or South Africa are to their present governments' concern for their self-determinative welfare.

Mr. Perel cites some of the scripture's more beautiful passages: "And a stranger shalt thou not oppress" (Exodus 22:30). Apart from what may well be deemed a patronizingly colonialist attitude vis-a-vis the Palestinians, regarded by Mr. Perel as "strangers" in their own land, he will hopefully not want to treat them as the Tanach reports in 2 Samuel 12 (31).

Klaus J. Herrmann,
Montreal

Dear Editor:

We thank you very much for sending to our address our first copy of The Canadian Jewish News dated Dec. 10, and have enjoyed reading it all the way. It is a rich paper with very interesting headlines and presentations.

Amongst the varied news, we were attracted most by the article "Israel should have annexed liberated territories" of ex-Mandatory Palestine by Dr. G. Douglas Young, the Canadian founder of Jerusalem's Institute of Holy Land Studies. We do agree all the way with Dr. Young for first of all, he said the land of Palestine derived from the land of the Phillistines in the past, and is nothing but Judea and Israel with the 12 tribes. This land was known in the Old Testament as the Land of Canaan during Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

During the invasions of the Ottoman-Turks-Muslim era, this land became a province renamed Falastine, and Jerusalem became El-Quds with its Mosque of Omar.

Withdrawals from liberated areas mean suicide. Gush Emunim should settle wherever they see fit to do so, without any objections. The land is Jewish land! Never in history was Palestine an Arab land.

Henry Masri,
White Rock, B.C.

An unexpected event saved those accused of Doctors' Plot

By ROCHELLE CARR

It was Jan. 13, 1953. The state-controlled news media of Russia had just issued a foreboding announcement. Nine prominent Soviet doctors, six of whom were Jews, had been arrested. They were accused of the murders of at least two Soviet officials and the conspiracy to murder several others.

The Doctors' Plot, as it was known, entered the pages of modern Jewish history as another manifestation of anti-Semitism.

There are numerous arguments put forward as to the deeper motive for arresting the doctors. Some say that it was Stalin's intention to show a lack of security and thereby, ultimately, enable him to purge the Communist hierarchy of members he feared or disliked. Whatever the underlying motive was, anti-Semitism played a very real part on the surface.

The state-controlled press and radio seethed with vitriolic anti-Semitic statements. They attacked the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee and accused the Jews on trial of being part of an international Jewish conspiratorial organization. As well, Russia, which a few years earlier had voted for the partition plan of Palestine, now began systematic attacks on Israel.

Before the arrest of the doctors, there had been signs that another wave of anti-Semitism was in the offing. In the early 1950s, Czechoslovakia, a country which then sat in the shadow of Russia, had carried out a series of trials with heavy anti-Semitic overtones. Around the same time, within Stalin's Russia, Jews from all walks of life were being arrested and tried more frequently on a variety of charges.

The stage had been set for the trumped up charges against the doctors. Then, suddenly, the unexpected occurred. On March 2, the Russian media announced that Stalin had had a stroke. Three days later, he was dead.

In the race for power that ensued, the biggest loser turned out to be Russia's recently deceased leader. While attempting to solidify a base of strength for themselves, it became fashionable for the aspirants to the Russian leadership to denounce Stalin and anything that could be associated with his name.

As a result, one month later, it was announced that the evidence against the doctors was insufficient and they were freed. In long range terms, however, the attempt to villify the name of Stalin did not put an end to the ugly head of anti-Semitism, which continued to surface in Russia in the years ahead.

Observers predict year of momentum

Peace talks expected to convene in '77

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

The question today is not if, but when, new peace talks between Israel and the Arabs begin. While 1976 was a year of quietude in Middle East diplomacy, observers fully expect 1977 to be a year of movement. With Henry Kissinger's step-by-step process having run its course, there is increasing speculation that an attempt by Washington at an overall settlement may be at hand.

Everyone caught up in the maelstrom of Arab-Israeli affairs seems to believe that Israel and the Arabs can be brought together for talks through the medium of the Geneva Peace Conference, which ratified the battlefield disengagement agreements after the Yom Kippur War. As Robert Stanbury, a Canadian delegate at the United Nations, put it at the General Assembly's 31st session: "The Geneva Conference, while not the only conceivable forum for negotiations, is the only one in being...we urge the parties to make use of it with all the urgency that the situation demands."

To varying degrees, the idea of reconvening the Geneva talks appeals to all interested parties: Israel, the important Arab states and Western and Eastern bloc nations.

The Arabs are pushing for it because the recent accommodation between Syria, Egypt and the PLO has given them a degree of solidarity and with it a good chance to negotiate from a common platform instead of working at cross-purposes. In the last few years, the Arabs have not agreed on strategy because Kissinger's quest for interim settlements divided them. Today, with the Lebanese civil war over and the expectation that the incoming Carter administration will press both sides to compromise, the Arabs are on the diplomatic offensive.

Egypt has led the drive. Early last month, Cairo's chief UN delegate, Ahmed Meguid, officially asked the General Assembly to start preparations for convening a comprehensive conference in Geneva. After his speech, he explained that Syria, Jordan and the PLO concurred in the proposals he put forward. Nowhere in the draft resolution was there any direct mention that the PLO should participate in the talks on an equal basis.

But the omission did not indicate a change in Arab policy; the Arabs continue to argue that talks would be fruitless without the presence of a PLO delegation. Observers contend that Meguid's address was an attempt to enlist support for the resolution from countries that do not recognize the PLO nor favor its full participation in a conference.

Jerusalem and Washington oppose PLO participation. But Premier Rabin has said that Israel would welcome a new round of talks in Geneva if discussion focused on "security and cooperation in the Middle East." Buttressing the prime minister's declaration, Israel's delegate at the UN, Chaim Herzog, submitted Jerusalem's first resolution to the General Assembly in its 27 years of membership.

The Israeli document asked the Assembly to urge Cairo, Damascus and Amman to meet in Geneva "without delay" under the co-chairmanship of the United States and the Soviet Union. However, Israel disavowed its own resolution after the Arabs and their friends attached a controversial amendment to it.

The Geneva Peace Conference will probably be reconvened this year after hiatus of more than three years, says writer.

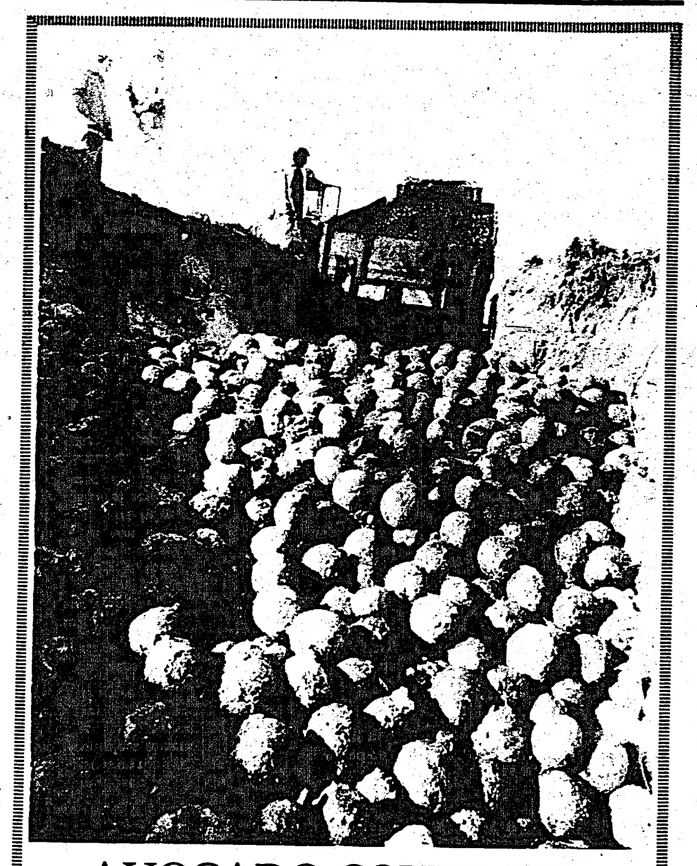
The amendment specified that the PLO should take part in the Geneva conference, a proposal which UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim endorses. "We cannot expect a global Middle East solution without the participation of the Palestinians, and the PLO has been chosen at the Rabat conference as the spokesman for the Palestinians..." he noted in a recent interview.

With the majority of nations in favor of a Palestinian presence in Geneva, is a compromise agreement possible? Perhaps. The New York Times correspondent in Beirut, Henry Tanner, claims that Palestinian leaders are moving toward acceptance of an Egyptian suggestion for their inclusion into a single Arab delegation. Given the fact that the objective in Geneva would be to seek an overall settlement, Israel would probably not jettison such an arrangement.

(Though public opinion in Israel is adamantly opposed to Israeli-Palestinian talks, signs of change are afoot. For example: Ariel Sharon, who formed the ultra-nationalist Likud faction, asserted: "Look, we talked with the Germans after they exterminated six million of our brethren, we talked with Syrians after they tortured our prisoners, why shouldn't we talk with the Palestinians?")

The Palestinian problem is not the only one plaguing the Geneva forum. President Sadat of Egypt says Israel must withdraw from all the occupied areas and acquiesce to the creation of a Palestinian state. And he emphasizes that he will not sign a peace treaty, but a document ending the state of belligerency. The gap between Israel and Egypt is wide because Jerusalem opposes all those ideas at the moment.

Yet whatever the obstacles may be, leaders in Israel and Egypt will do their utmost to persuade Washington — the great diplomatic arbiter and dispenser of military and economic aid — of their good intentions. The current political uncertainty in Israel may delay the talks, but few believe that the Geneva conference will not take place this year — the year of momentum in Middle East diplomacy.



AVOCADO COVER-UP?

Tons of avocados were buried in pits because the Israel Fruit Association found them unfit for human consumption. Rumors abound that the action was really connected to the growers' desire to keep prices artificially high. (IPPA photo)

Zionists' merger— 'historic' event, or mock marriage?

By J. B. SALSBERG

After years of frustrating negotiations, the world's last stronghold of authentic Socialist-Zionism, the Borochov movement of Canada, hauled down its flag of classical Borochovism and merged with the politically amorphous and ideologically blurred Farband-Labor Zionist Movement of Canada.

This occurrence may be viewed, at a later date, as a short chapter in the history of Poale-Zionism or it may appear merely as a marginal footnote in that history, but it does deserve to be known to wider circles of Canadian Jewry.

The merger was officially heralded as an "historic event" or as an "historic merger", and was celebrated at a massive gala banquet in Toronto at which the spokesmen of both merged groups spoke out clearly and at length.

But was the merger an "historic event"? Did the speeches reveal a new emphasis in the camp of Canadian Labor-Zionism? Indeed, was there even a hint in those speeches of an accepted synthesis of the two sectors who, though springing from the same ideological soil, have been travelling on separate roads for a long time?

With all the good will and sympathy at my command, I was unable to detect a single note of newness or, for that matter, of agreement between the two sides to the "historic" marriage. In all honesty I must say that after listening to the speeches I arrived at the sad conclusion that what I witnessed was not a joyous merger of equals and like-minded people but a joyless marriage of two solitudes.

As I meditatingly groped my way home after the "celebration", I wondered whether I had not attended a mock wedding. I say this in sadness, for I would have welcomed a justification for celebration but, alas, it was not to be found.

Max Federman, the veteran Jewish labor leader in Canada, was more than the titular head of the Borochov movement. He, ably assisted by another prominent Canadian trade union leader, Harry Simon, provided the political leadership that made the Borochov movement the viable, effective and enduring force that it was.

Max Federman was deservedly elected to the presidency of the new "Achdut-HaAvoda Poale Zion Party of Canada" which has ostensibly received the approval and blessings of the entire Labor Zionist Movement of Canada and of the Poale Zion world secretariat. It was right and proper that Mr. Federman deliver, if not the main keynote speech at the "gala banquet", then at least one of the key addresses.

Well, he did and a mighty, spirited speech it was too. Federman spoke as an heir of Borochov and Dr. Nachman Syrkin should speak on such an occasion. He spoke of a "socialist world" and of "Jewish moral values" and of a "democratic Jewish community in Canada," etc. etc. etc.

The Kanader Adler of Montreal reprinted that speech in its entirety (in the Yiddish version, of course). But, not without significance, neither Max Federman — the traditional leader of the Borochov movement in this country — nor his address, nor his renewed leadership as head of the merged Poale Zion Party of Canada, was as much as mentioned in the official report of the "historic merger" that appeared in the official organ of the Labor Zionist Movement of Canada.

All this is, of course, not accidental. Nor is this, necessarily, a sign of vindictiveness or of political trickery. It is, sad to say, only an illustration of the fact that the heralded merger was, at best, only a marriage of two solitudes and, at worst, a mock marriage. To be charitable, I pick the first characterization of what has been loudly described as an "historic event".

The merger is, of course, not the end of the affair.

The majority of the leaders of the Labor Zionist Movement of Canada are not, I suspect, praying for the success of the Poale Zion Party of Canada which Max Federman heads and which is now, at least formally, a constituent part of their movement.

As for Federman, he will now have to take stock to find out how many of his former "Borochovists" have found blissful peace in the L.Z. Movement and who now wish that he leave them alone and how many — if any — of the L.Z. Movement people are prepared to join the Poale Zion party that he heads.

To all my loyal readers, I wish to say: Whatever you do, don't discount Max Federman and don't sell him short. And to Max I want to say: "Whether I agree with you fully or not — keep up the good fight, Max!"

New cast joins political drama

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON [JTA] —

The continuing political drama of the Arab-Israeli conflict enters a new year with a new set of principals in Washington facing the old set of problems which includes both how to find the approach for a settlement as well as a settlement itself.

Similarly, the tragedy of Soviet Jewry continues despite the Helsinki accord now in its second year. Its promise of improved human relationships between the Soviets and the West has not materialized. The Soviet economic and political dealing for high stakes goes far beyond those Jews who want to emigrate and those who might be content to stay as Soviet citizens if they could practice their Jewish culture.

The Carter administration takes office and the 95th Congress goes into session with full understanding that the U.S. defence of democracy, as exemplified by Israel, and universal human rights, as personified by the Soviet Jews, will demand much of their energies; and test their will against both foreign and domestic opponents whose weapons include tools of propaganda that range from automatic anti-democratic majorities in the United Nations to media tactics designed to confuse, intimidate and ultimately induce Americans into paths contrary to those proclaimed anew in the Bicentennial year just completed.

President-elect Jimmy Carter

In campaigns to influence U.S. opinion, both the Arabs and the Soviets and their Americans supporters have laid down terms to the Carter administration. Soviet Communist Party Secretary Leonid Brezhnev and others in the Kremlin want U.S. concessions on nuclear weapons and on U.S.-USSR trade. They demand U.S. credits and that the U.S. repeal the "discriminatory" Jackson-Vanik legislation designed to help Jews and others emigrate.

Moscow's view on both issues has support from certain American corporations which, as Senator Frank Church (D. Idaho) observes, are prepared to use U.S. tax money to underpin their technological development in the Soviet Union for probable profits without financial risk to themselves.

The "peace offensive" hatched in October in Ryadh has brought out changes in Arab tactics from bluster to blandishment but the substance of their position towards Israel remains officially and fundamentally unchanged. What has changed, it is observed, is the relationship among the Arab states and from this alteration the seeds of settlement may sprout.

Saudi Arabia with its wealth has emerged as the determinant of collective action or inaction towards either peace or more trouble with Israel. Syria has expanded into Lebanon to rival Egypt in power. Egypt, economically depressed and its prestige diminished, talks loudly of its "friendship" for America while entering a rapprochment with the Soviets. The terrorist Palestine Liberation Organization, despite its second disaster in six years, retains its ability to carry bombs in suitcases.

The "peace offensive", particularly from Cairo, has brought a surge of optimism in the West, including some highly placed U.S. officials; but among analysts seasoned in the ways of Middle East diplomacy the only certainties are scepticism and caution. Their concern is that such views as "no time is riper than now" for a settlement and praise for Egyptian President Anwar Sadat may bring expectations beyond realization that could result in explosions within nations as well as between them.

Analysts note that the voices of moderation in the Arab world are expressed to foreigners but the Arab governments, even as 1976 ended, had reportedly not presented a single proposal in diplomatic channels to Washington for even a suggested approach towards a conference at which the framework for negotiations may be adopted.

Last spring, when some senators were furious over Israeli settlements on the West Bank, Senator George McGovern (D. S.D.) asked the State Department to analyze what Arabs were saying privately and publicly. The department's response was a compendium of media excerpts but it reported nothing government-to-government. As 1976 was ending, JTA checked with the State Department and found the same vacancy — no Arab proposals.

The PLO is consistently pictured as "moderating" but its charter to eliminate Israel is unchanged. While PLO Chief Yasser Arafat tells foreigners and the media that he accepts Israel as a state, PLO "Foreign Minister" Khadoumi rejects Israel. The Arafat talk is widely and prominently reported. Not so Khadoumi's. "It's not part of the present script," one observer remarked.

All kinds of diplomatic possibilities are seen as 1977 dawns. Among them is the thought that Saudi Arabia, still bitterly anti-Zionist, may have second thoughts about squandering the returns from its oil on anti-Jewish wars that do not help it advance materially in any way. The Saudis may be induced to see Israel as a neighbor that will help it progress and protect it from radicalization that a PLO state could easily set in motion from its "base of operation" as a mini-state next to Israel and Jordan and a jump away from Saudi Arabia's northern border.

Jordan, Syria and Lebanon could be coaxed into joining Israel in an economic relationship that Americans have long dreamed as possible to bring prosperity to the area. The Palestinians may be convinced that the majority of them who live in Jordan and the West Bank can join with the government of Jordan in a political arrangement that satisfies both Palestinian dignity and Israeli security. But throughout all this is the theory that some U.S.-Soviet understanding is essential for a workable settlement.

There is little difference between Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and National Security Advisor-elect Zbigniew Brzezinski on the need for a Soviet role.

In views he gave to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, Brzezinski said: "The Soviet Union has the power to complicate, to an enormous extent, the process of first obtaining and then consolidating and finally, maintaining a settlement. That is why, at some stage in the process and preferably in its latter stages, the Soviet Union will have to be drawn into some arrangement whereby a settlement, once it has been attained by the Israelis and the Arabs, becomes an arrangement to which the Soviet Union is an indirect party.

"If the Soviet Union is entirely excluded, it will have additional incentive to exploit the most radical and the most extreme Arab elements as a tool of its own policy and in order to create that tension and instability in the region from which it might hope to benefit."

Bedouin boast of farming prowess as fearful UN urges them to return

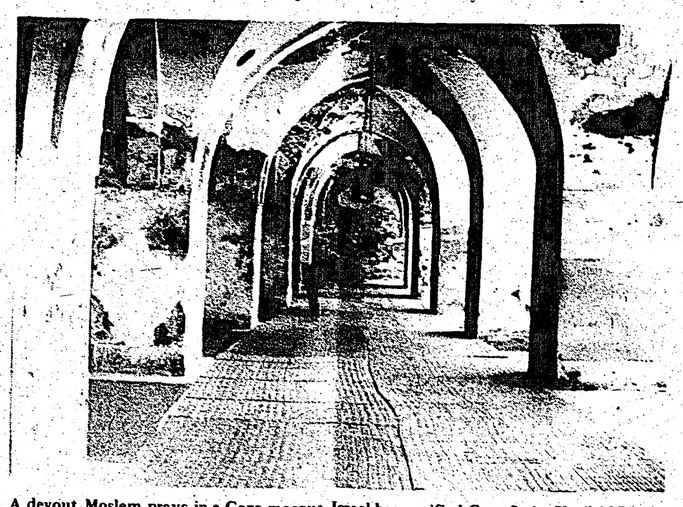
By NECHEMIA MEYERS

GAZA —

Arab refugees in the Gaza Strip can have their cake and eat it too. They can obtain relatively spacious new homes outside the refugee camps in Israeli-sponsored housing projects and hold regular jobs inside Israel, and yet at the same time continue to receive assistance as refugees from the United Nations Relief and Works Agency.

But it is not this anomalous situation that recently prompted the United Nations General Assembly to pass an Arab-inspired resolution calling for the 2,500 resettled Gaza Strip refugee families to be returned to the overcrowded and unsanitary camps in which they lived for over two decades. It is rather the fear, apparently well justified, that once these and other refugees have good homes and jobs they will be less willing to join terrorist groups. And indeed the once terror-ridden Gaza Strip is today among the quietest and most stable areas in the Middle East.

Also contributing to stability is the improvement that has taken place in local services. In the health sphere, for example, infant mortality has been cut by over 90% in recent years, which, thanks to the Strip's opposition to birth control, probably gives it the world's highest net reproduction rate.



A devout Moslem prays in a Gaza mosque. Israel has pacified Gaza Strip. Until 1971, the area was infested with terrorists who inflicted losses on the Israeli army. (IPPA photo)

Even culture is on the upswing. Thanks to the almost complete absence of terrorism, several Gaza Strip movie houses have reopened. They specialize in action-packed thrillers, with more sedate films reserved for the women-only daytime performances. Porno, however soft core, is still out, which forces the young men interested in sex films to travel to the nearby Israeli towns of Ashkelon and Ashdod, where more liberal standards prevail.

Also available in these towns are the tractors, fertilizers, pesticides and irrigation equipment now being used by Gaza Strip farmers, who have quickly learned Israeli agricultural techniques. More surprisingly, these techniques have also been adopted by some of the Sinai Bedouin.

In the Rafiah Approaches area, where there are several new Jewish villages, some 100 Bedouin families have even set up an Israeli-style moshav (smallholders' settlement) called Dhaniya.

Because of their use of modern methods, the former nomads are achieving excellent yields, some of them, for example, harvesting 48 tons of tomatoes from a single acre. And next year they will be growing winter vegetables under plastic covers so that they can cash in on the rich European market for such produce.

In a ceremony marking the first anniversary of Dhaniya's establishment, village chairman Hassan Salim el Shatwi thanked the Israeli instructors who had taught his brethren "how to succeed in life." He also pointed with pride to the fact that they had been even more successful than their Jewish neighbors in the thrifty exploitation of irrigation water, and soon, he boasted, "their yields will be higher too."

Maybe so, but will the UN approve?

Organizations and People

what's new...

By MIRIAM HERMAN

WEEKEND LINE-UP

There will certainly be no lack of things to do this weekend, Jan. 15-16. Take your pick!

Here's the **Saturday** line-up — The series of film, musical, cultural or literary activities planned by Beth Tzedec Congregation for every Saturday at 8:30 through to March 26, starts off with the film **The Martyr**, the story of a Polish educator who saved many ghetto children.

"An evening of elegance" is what Reyah Chapter of Toronto Hadassah-WIZO promises at their antique and art auction at World of Antiques, 418 Eglinton Ave., West. Preview is at 7:30 with the auction at 8:30.

For fun and lots of bargains besides, catch Temple Har Zion's grand auction and tombola. Maybe you can pick up a dinner at the Royal York, or a weekend at the Inn on the Park or even a week in Miami, or such mundane things as kitchen appliances. The time is 8 p.m.

As for **Sunday** — There are two events in Hamilton. The Women's Division of the United Jewish Welfare Fund is holding a teach-in for captains and canvassers at McMaster University from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Hamilton Jewish Federation president Albert Foreman will speak in the morning, and Professor Yoram Dinstein of the University of Toronto will cover the afternoon session. Then at 8 p.m., the Toronto Boys Choir is putting on a concert for Adas Israel Sisterhood. Originally known as the Toronto Pirchei Choir, this group is made up of 20 youngsters who attend Toronto Jewish day schools.

An in-teachers' seminar has been arranged by the Toronto Board of Jewish Education at the Finch Education Centre. From 4-6 p.m. Dr. Ronald Ramer of Syracuse, N.Y. will talk about **Behavior Modification in our Schools**. Then from 6-8 p.m. he will discuss specific classroom problems with individual teachers.

For seniors, there's an afternoon of musical entertainment with the Hahilka (Ukrainian) Women's Choir, beginning at 2 p.m. at 585 Cranbrooke Ave. It is sponsored by the Association of Jewish Senior Clubs.

The Labor Zionist Alliance's Odd Singles (24-39 years) are having a dance at 8:30 at the LZA Centre.

CREATIVE CORNER

Creative Corner, the Jewish Public Library's program for children 2½-4 years of age, starts again on Jan. 18 for a 10-week period. A nominal fee is being charged this time. Register now for Tuesday afternoons or Thursday mornings. The number is 781-6282.

FREE JEWISH CLASSES

By way of introducing their upcoming **Explore Your Heritage** series, B'nai B'rith Hillel is holding an open house this Wednesday, the 19th at 7:30 p.m. The idea is to give those interested in these free Jewish classes a chance to meet with the teachers and discuss the six different courses offered. Courses begin the week of the 24th and run for six weeks. For information, call Hillel House.

NORTH EAST COMMUNITY

The North East Jewish Community Services has scheduled a Jewish family life education series in co-operation with the North York Public Library. A program for parents of pre-schoolers runs on Wednesdays from Jan. 19-March 9 at Hillcrest Community Library. Then on Thursdays, from Jan. 20-March 10, two courses are being given at Fairview Public Library — a workshop for adults with aging parents and a series for parents of teenagers. All sessions are at 8:30 p.m. For information, call 493-8866.

CHALLENGES OF MIDDLE AGE

A new course on the challenges of middle age starts at the northern 'Y' this week. **Perspectives in Your Middle Years**, conducted by social worker Bernice Wilson, will run for eight consecutive Wednesdays at 8 p.m., beginning on the 19th. If you are interested, call Sorel Park at the 'Y'.

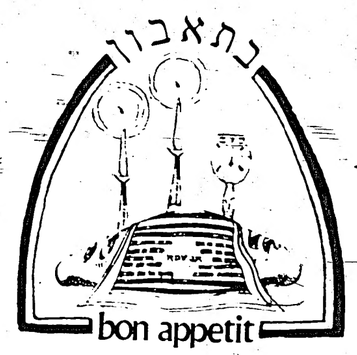
FIGHT AGAINST EYE DISEASE

Medical research programs into the cause of retinitis pigmentosa (RP), a hereditary eye disease that commonly strikes children, received a total of $95,000 during 1976 from the National Retinitis Pigmentosa Foundation of Canada. Leon Weinstein, national Foundation president, announced that grants were made to medical researchers at the Hospital for Sick Children, the University of British Columbia, McGill University and the University of Toronto. Launched in Toronto in 1974, with headquarters at 1 Spadina Cres., there are also chapters in Calgary, Vancouver and Montreal, and others are now being organized.

ABOUT ILEITIS AND COLITIS

The topic of the Wednesday the 19th meeting of the Canadian Foundation for Ileitis and Colitis deals with the personality changes of those suffering with those illnesses and the effects on the families. Guest speaker is Dr. Edward Sheffman, anaesthesiologist who uses hypno-therapy. The time is 8:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Hospital.

Consumption of eggs in Israel highest per capita in the world



By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM —

Egg production is one of the most outstandingly successful branches of agriculture in Israel. So much so, that recently, the Egg and Poultry Production Board was rapped soundly over the knuckles by the state comptroller for — overproduction!

In his report, the state comptroller charged that some holders of egg-producing franchises had exceeded quotas by as much as 50%. The unwanted eggs cost money because the government pays subsidies to egg producers in order to hold egg prices steady, and this has entailed payment of subsidies even to farmers exceeding the production quotas laid down for them.

In 1971, the country was landed with 100 million surplus eggs, for which the board ended up paying IL13 million in subsidies. Since then, the report charged, not enough had been done to correct faulty administration and supervision.

The only reason surpluses were not more disastrous yet, in the current year, was that fortunately, some farmers did not manage to fill their egg-production quotas.

Apart from wasteful payment of subsidies, the main difficulty with surpluses is that the eggs deteriorate in cold storage, and shipping them abroad for pulverization is uneconomical.

Israelis have the highest per capita rate of egg consumption in the world, showing that things have not changed too much in this region since ancient times, when eggs were so common that they were used as a standard measure.

Compared to Western countries, more eggs find their way into the household and less into industry, because the Israeli homemaker relies on home cooking rather than ready-bought food.

Aside from home-baked cakes and biscuits, eggs are slipped into pashtidot (vegetable pies) and ktzitzot (fried patties of meat, fish, or vegetables). The light evening meal of fresh vegetable salads, dairy foods and fresh bread would scarcely be complete without the addition of an omelette or fried egg.

This week, I have a recipe for an eggy-tasting sponge cake with a refreshing lemon flavor, which, surprisingly, uses only four eggs. This no-fail, high-rise cake is as light as a feather, but with just the right degree of moistness to prevent you feeling that you are, in fact, eating your way through a bunch of feathers. This is usually my main gripe against sponge and chiffon cakes; while they may represent a triumph of the baker's art, most are not very interesting to eat.

Lemon Sponge
3/4 cup flour
3/4 cup castor sugar
1 1/2 tsp. baking powder
pinch salt
3 tblsps. oil
4 eggs, separated
4 tblsps. fresh lemon juice
1/2 tsp. almond essence
grated rind 1/2 lemon
1/4 tsp. cream of tartar

1. sift flour, sugar, baking powder and salt together in a bowl. Make a well, and add egg yolks, oil, lemon juice and rind, and almond essence

2. in another bowl, whip whites with cream of tartar until stiff, then pour yolk mixture on to whites gently, and turn and fold with spatula or metal spoon until combined

3. pour into prepared 9" pan and bake 55 minutes in preheated oven at 325° till golden brown and springily firm to the touch. Invert to cool, then turn on to cooling rack with minimum of handling. Dust with confectioner's sugar. This cake freezes excellently.

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Shabbat Shalom!

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Davis to meet Rabin on 10-day tour

TORONTO —

Ontario Premier William Davis left for Israel this week on a whirlwind, 10-day tour of the sights, combined with meetings with government officials, including Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

Davis and his wife Kathleen, who arrived today in Jerusalem, will visit a variety of traditional stopping points such as Masada, Yad Vashem, holy sites in the Galilee and the "good fence" on the Lebanese border.

Joining the premier's entourage were Conservative party organizer Eddie Goodman and his wife Susan.

Goodman is chairman of the special gifts division of the United Jewish Appeal campaign.

In addition to conferring with Rabin, at his residence, Davis is scheduled to address a Knesset luncheon sponsored by the speaker of the Parliament, Yisrael Yeshayahu.

He is also expected to meet with Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Yigal Allon and is the guest of honor at receptions hosted by Tel Aviv mayor Shlomo Lahat, Canadian Ambassador Edward Lee, and Jerusalem's deputy mayor.

A number of educational institutions have been included in the itinerary. The premier, a former education minister, has planned to visit the Weizmann Institute, Hebrew University, the Dead Sea Institute, Boy's Town, Hadassim Youth Village and other vocational schools.

Directory lists summer camps

TORONTO —

Camp Good Fellowship and Camp Northland of Toronto are listed in the 89-page Directory of Jewish Resident Summer Camps, issued by the Association of Jewish Community Centres and YM-YMHAs in New York.

The JWB directory is the only complete national listing of summer camps under Jewish communal auspices.

It lists 159 camps which have been organized in two categories: Resident camps under the auspices of Jewish community centres, Jewish community agencies or affiliated with JWB, and resident camps sponsored by, or under the auspices of other Jewish organizations.

Each entry in the directory identifies the name of the camp, location of camp site and distance from the city office, what age groups the camp serves, whether the camp is co-ed or limited to one sex, the capacity of the camp, the length of the camping season and number of periods, rates of the camp, registration requirements for campers, requirements for general counselors and dietary practices.

The Directory of Jewish Resident Summer Camps is available for $3.50 from JWB Publications Services, 15 E. 26th Street, New York, N.Y. 10010.

Keynote speaker

OTTAWA —

Rabbi Gunther Plaut will be the keynote speaker at the Interfaith Colloquium on the Quality of Living to be held here in March.

The colloquium is being arranged by the National Religious Department of the Canadian Jewish Congress, the Canadian Catholic Conference and the Canadian Council of Churches.

Co-sponsoring the event will be the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews.

New board chairman stresses multiculturalism

TORONTO —

Effectively educating immigrant children must be one of the major priorities of The Board of Education for the Borough of York in 1977-78, said Harriet Wolman, the new board chairman, in her remarks at the inaugural meeting held this week.

In addition, the 41-year-old chairman stressed that in a multicultural urban environment such as the Borough of York, educators have a responsibility to develop in their students an appreciation for other cultures and social consciousness so that racial incidents such as the recent attacks on the TTC are not permitted to recur.

Mrs. Wolman is a lifelong member of the Holy Blossom Temple and of the National Council of Jewish Women. She was a former executive member of the Temple sisterhood, as well as education chairman for two years.

The chairman also pointed out in her address that the federal government must assume some financial responsibility for educating immigrant students since many of them are in Canada as a result of the federal immigration policy.

Correction

The northernmost Jewish community in the world is Trondheim, not Tromso, Norway, as stated in a recent article dealing with Lavy Becker's visit to Scandinavia.

...about people

W. Victor Sefton

Victor Sefton, president of the Jewish Historical Society of Canada, and chairman, both nationally and regionally, of the Archives Committees of Canadian Jewish Congress, now has another title to add to the list — that of national treasurer of the Canadian Technion Society. He succeeds **Nicholas Munk** who held that position since the inception of the Society in 1946. A consulting civil and structural engineer by profession, Mr. Sefton is a past president of Technion's Toronto Chapter.

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York University **Professor Isaac Bar-Lewaw** takes to the airwaves this week. He taped a program with Ontario Minister of Colleges and Universities **Dr. Harry Parrot** for the **Education of Mike McManus** show which is scheduled for viewing on TV Channel 19 this Tuesday the 18th at 7:30 p.m. and again the next afternoon at 3:30. The two will be discussing the **Problems of Canadian Excellence and Mediocrity.**

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Highlighting the Beth Jacob High School and Teachers College annual dinner on Sunday, the 16th, will be the address by guest speaker **Rabbi Aaron Levine** of Ner Israel Yeshiva College, plus the presentation made to community leader **Joseph Tanenbaum** for his efforts on behalf of Torah education. The dinner is called for 6 p.m. at Holiday Inn, Dufferin Street and the 401.

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Right after the first of the year, **Bill Stern** took over his new position as development fund director of Baycrest Centre. According to Baycrest executive vice-president **Sam Ruth**, his main responsibility is to seek out all sources of funds to keep pace with the centre's expanding geriatric care program. It begins with seeing their capital fund raising drive through to its goal of $9.8 million. Mr. Stern was formerly executive-director of Canadian Zionist Federation, Central Region.

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The Zionist Organization of Canada has come up with a fitting tribute to **Olive Diefenbaker**, the late wife of Canada's former prime minister, **John Diefenbaker**. They have decided to dedicate a room in her name at the ZOC Youth Centre in Jerusalem Forest. The plan is to forward the names of all contributors to Mr. Diefenbaker on a special certificate. Contributions can be made to the ZOC Charitable Fund.

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For his first really big concert in Toronto, **Aaron Skitri** has chosen a unique musical presentation — a concert of German baroque and French music performed with four different flutes. The 33-year-old Egyptian-born, French-schooled Jewish musician, who started out as a student of the guitar in Paris when he was 13 years old, goes on stage at St. Lawrence Centre Town Hall next Saturday, the 22nd, at 8:30 p.m.

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Eleven young Canadians made the Dean's List at Yeshiva College, the men's undergraduate liberal arts school of Yeshiva University in New York. That means they are among the 268 out of 844 students who maintained at least a B plus average for the 1975-76 academic year. They are **Noah Witty** and **Jeffrey Neuburger**, Toronto; **Seth Kaufman** and **Eliezer Rand**, Montreal; **Lionel Zuckier**, Calgary; **Howard Estrin, David Marcovitch** and **David Simmer**, Edmonton; **Manuel Greenberg** and **Jonothan Kaplan**, Vancouver, and **Asher Breatross** of Ottawa.

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Further news from Yeshiva College reports that Rabbi **Joshua Chelfetz**, a native of Windsor, has been named its career-guidance counsellor. A college alumnus, he was ordained at Yeshiva University's Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary in 1958 and earned a masters degree in social work a year later. For the past 15 years he has been the university's director of residence halls.

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Add to the list of Jews named to the Order of Canada, Vancouver pianist **Frances Adaskin**, who was named a member.

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sparks from the torah

'You can't keep your heart in a safe deposit box...'

By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Shemot/Rosh Chodesh Shevat [Thurday]

Raoh ra-eeti et anee amee....I have surely seen the affliction of my people...

You can't keep your heart in a safe deposit box — you may lose the key to your soul....

A shammas led a poor man to the home of a rich miser. The miser saw them coming and hid in the back room. The poor man sighed bitterly — "now I see why **hachnosat orchim** — welcoming the poor — is even greater than seeing the face of G-d....

"...When Moses saw the holy **shechina** at the burning bush, he hid his face. But this **kamtzan** saw me coming, and he hid his whole body...." (Fun Unzer Alter Oitzer)

What good is hot chulent if you have cold feet — about loving another Jew. We must work together. Consider...when G-d chose Moses to lead the Jews. He appeared in a burning thorn bush. Moses scratched his yarmulke — couldn't He have chosen a banana tree or a rose bush — why suddenly appear in a thorn bush?

But the Almighty shook his head sadly. "I'm afraid it's a sign for the future...when a thorn bush burns, it crackles and roars. The same with my Yiddlech — even when they're surrounded by enemies who flame all around, instead of working together, they argue and shout among themselves — one is a thorn to the next....You have to whip them into shape...." (Klee Yakar)

Every Jew has to wear a medal on his tallis — if we are not for each other, who will be? Imagine...Moses saw an Egyptian striking a Jew — "**va'yar kee ain ish**...and he saw there was no man there" — and he killed the Egyptian. It's strange, though — where was Moses, in an igloo? Where was everybody?

Ah, but it teaches...Moses saw "there was no man...." That as far as the world is concerned, a Jew is no man like other men. He has no rights, and isn't even allowed to keep a homeland of his own....So Moses decided to act.... (Otzar Ha'Chaim)

After all, if you want, there's an answer for everything.

A rabbi saw a Jew wake up in the Tel Aviv Hilton, and rush right downstairs to breakfast.

"What," the rabbi scolded, "a Jew goes down to eat before he prays?"

"G-d forbid," the man answered. "I don't pray...."

You can't look at another Jew with sour eyes. It's weird...when Moses neared the burning bush, G-d commanded — "**shal n'alecha may'al raglecha**...take off your shoes...." Moses wondered — what do I need, Desinex? Why can't I keep on my shoes?

But G-d insisted. "Usually, a person can't be a good leader unless he's as tough as nails — '**nokaim v'notair k'nachash**...as vengeful as a serpent....' But not you — take off your shoes. In Hebrew, the word for shoe — **Na'al** — is made up of three letters....

Nun — neshicha...don't bite anyone, or take vengeance if someone wrongs you personally;

Ayin — akitzah...don't sting anyone with a careless, thoughtless comment;

Lamed — lechisha...don't whisper gossip about people. G-d doesn't like petty politics...." (Reb Naftoli of Rupshitz)

Every word is worth a million. Once a son of a famous maggid saw his father rehearsing a sermon. "Father," he asked, "after all these years you still have to practise."

"I am not practising what to say — but what not to say," the father answered.

May the words of our mouths find favor in G-d's ears. Shabbat Shalom.

Please note our current Sparks From the Torah TV schedule: Metro Cable - alternate Mondays at 9 p.m. and Tuesdays at 8 p.m.; Willowdowns Cable - Tuesdays at 8:30 p.m.; York and Keeble - Thursdays at 10 p.m.

He fights CBC's 'esoteric' image

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO — When Andrew Simon was very young and starry-eyed, his goal in life was to be a radio announcer. It seemed like a glamorous ambition to pursue. But, like most childhood fantasies, it did not materialize.

"My voice was too high...though I could have worked on it," he said the other afternoon in his dimly-lit office, atop an old recording studio, in Cabbagetown.

Yet Simon, Toronto region program director for CBC radio, has no regrets. Being ambitious and energetic, he soon learned there were higher plateaus to climb in the highly competitive world of broadcasting.

After working as a part-time guide at Montreal CBC and then studying broadcasting communications at Boston University, he discovered that producers, not announcers, made the important decisions — the decisions which usually mean the difference between a nondescript career and a very rewarding one.

An urbane 38-year-old native of Hungary, he joined the CBC in a full-time capacity in 1961. Appropriately enough, he was hired as a producer. In the 16 years since then, he has not looked back, having produced such shows as **Trans-Canada Matinee, Hourglass** and **Weekend.**

He also devised and produced **Cross Country Check-up**, and was chosen in 1973 to help all CBC stations improve local information programing.

Two and a half years ago, he was named to his present position. And although he instituted a number of changes (such as removing "God Save the Queen" and replacing it with "O Canada" at sign-in and sign-off), it was not until late last year that the flak began to fly.

Columnists in local dailies, as well as readers in the letters to the editor pages, complained about the new schedule. The gist of their grievances was that CBC radio was pandering to 'low-brow' tastes, upsetting listening

Andrew Simon

habits and yanking established musical programs off the air.

Andrew Simon has borne the barrage of criticism well. "It's a very good thing; it shows listeners care," he says. "You have to assume not everyone will agree. Someone has to decide what goes on and off the air."

He was asked what considerations were taken into account when a programing director decided on a change, and what his programing philosophy was.

Four factors account for program formulation — public complaints or preferences, economic restraints, major national policy and radio philosophy — and not necessarily in that order, explained Simon, who describes himself as an "avid radio consumer."

The public plays a larger role in programing decisions than is commonly realized, he noted. Still, he is against the concept of a citizens committee to help regulate programing.

"It's a terrible idea," he said flatly. "Normal control is exerted by the CRTC, and as a public corporation we're responsible and answerable to Parliament. Why have another committee? There is such a thing as too much control."

Simon says that experimental citizens councils in Britain and Holland have failed, because all too often representatives of pressure groups have dominated them and thus posed a threat to broadcasters' freedom.

"And ultimately, the public has an input because they vote with their dials," he added.

Currently, CBC's local outlet, which operates on an annual budget of approximately $1 million, is variously in second, third or fourth place according to the ratings. He claims CFRB is "unbeatable". As he put it: "Any station which is informational and demanding, as CBC is, won't be number one."

Simons' radio philosophy is a mixture of carnival barker and studious academic. "To quite a degree, I'm a populist, not an elitist. It bothers me that general audience programs we get on CBC are too high-brow, earnest and esoteric."

He feels CBC should not be perceived as an alternative to the less serious stations, or as a station devoted to minority programing. "We're in the market place for audiences like everyone else. National management expects an increase of audience, though there was a time when we didn't care. Now, the philosophy has changed. We must get a substantial audience."

Contrary to the assumptions of some critics, Simon says he is really a conservative programer. "I believe people are creatures of habit. I hate changing things. People get dislocated. Stations should fit like an old shoe."

Sounding somewhat like an evangelist, Simon said his objective is "to spread the word" and to cut through the lies and distortions; to let his listeners know what's happening to their tax dollars and to expose them to experiences which they cannot normally experience for themselves."

It sounds like an impossible thing to do, but Andrew Simon is convinced it can be done.

Switching his career didn't faze Sheldon Sper

TORONTO [Staff] — In a world which prizes conformity, Sheldon Sper is an odd man out.

Until two and a half years ago, he was a University of Toronto linguistics and anthropology professor. Today, in a dazzling reversal of roles, he is a realtor, the president of a thriving company which is appropriately called Essay Realty.

By coincidence or design, two of Sper's six employees are almost as academically accomplished as he is. One man, a Caucasian, speaks, reads and writes Chinese. Another is an architect and a collector of Far Eastern rare art.

Sheldon Sper

"I'm making a lot more money now and enjoying it more," says Sper, a brash, 37-year-old native of Rochester, N.Y., who claims he is probably "one of the three or four white men in the world" who is fluent in Mayan, a little known language used by Central American Indians.

Sper, who taught at the University of Toronto for some four years, doesn't share the view that his unusual transition from academia to real estate was anything special. And he adds that a number of his fellow academicians envy him for having had the courage to switch careers in his mid-30s.

A graduate of the University of Rochester and University of Minnesota, Sper is an authority on dialectology, the study of language variation, and his grasp of Mayan is acknowledged by his peers. Or, as he puts it, "I'm considered a world authority in the field."

He says he encountered no resistance from his wife or his family when he decided to jettison his academic career. "My wife Anna — a specialist in Russian literature — was very supportive and felt it was more important for me to do what I wanted to do. My mother felt I would be successful. I don't think she thought real estate would be a drop in status for me."

Sper, who holds a Toronto contractor's licence, is so content with his new career that he is sure he will never return to academic life again. "I keep up less and less with the discipline," he confides, "though I spend a considerable portion of my free hours learning languages, my first love. At the university, I got so bogged down with administrative matters, I had no time to study languages."

Describing the ability to learn a language quickly as a gift, Sper says he is conversant in five and is currently learning Portuguese. He reveals he can "fake it" in Yiddish and speak "Hebrew school" Hebrew.

Though his degrees are proudly displayed on the cork wall of his office, he says he doesn't "flaunt" his learning at his clients.

"Linguistics has nothing to do with real estate... I don't find clients' attitudes change when they discover I used to be a professor. But the people I deal with can tell they're speaking to a professional, like themselves."

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Total raised to date by young executives division of UJA is up by more than 125% over last year, according to co-chairmen of group, David Franklin (left) and Tom Kirschner. "We consider our division to be an investment in the future," they say. Franklin is a lawyer. Kirschner is in mortgage finance business.

Young executives meet the challenge

TORONTO —

Young men and women who are just starting out in the business and professional world have been responding generously to the 1977 United Jewish Appeal campaign. The total raised to date by the young executives division is up by more than 125% over last year.

David Franklin and Tom Kirschner, the co-chairmen, report that the main function of the group is to bring new people into the campaign. "We consider our division to be an investment in the future," they said. "Our goal is to train effective campaign workers and to bring new people into the campaign as contributors. We're trying to upgrade gifts from young people and we hope to establish a higher level of giving so we can do our share in providing for Jewish needs here and abroad."

Franklin, who has his own law practice, is involved with UJA "because I was asked by one of the past chairmen of the young executives division to come in as a captain. I agreed because I knew I should be doing something for Israel and for our own Jewish community. I served for two years as a captain, which really means canvassing because everybody in the UJA is a canvasser. Then I was asked to become division chairman. I accepted and decided there would be too much work for one person so I asked Tom Kirschner to be the co-chairman."

Kirschner, who is in the mortgage finance business, is involved because his mother was in Auschwitz and his father was in various Nazi labor camps. Both parents lost their families in the Holocaust. They went back to Romania after the war and managed to escape from that country when they learned the Communist secret police were looking for the father.

Although he was born in Canada, Tom Kirschner is very much aware that "it has only been 35 years since World War II." He has been reading Jewish history and, he says, "it's a grim reminder that so many of our people died so we can live comfortably here. So many people contributed to our welfare by being slapped in the face all their lives...and we sit here in a community that is unique for the time being but we never know if it's going to change. If we don't go out and work for the UJA and contribute, we could lose our autonomy; we could lose our uniqueness; we could lose everything we have worked for."

He says it's essential to contribute time and money "because you have to do both if you're a Jew."

David Franklin says he knows most of the prospects he canvasses for UJA, and because he has a fair knowledge of their ability to give, he tells them how much he expects. "Sometimes," he says, "I rate them high and they come back and say they can't afford to give more this year because their shul dues just went up and they have been hit for the building fund, or their kids are going to day school and the fees are up.

"I listen to all their arguments why they shouldn't increase and then I point out they are making more money than ever before and that they can afford to increase their UJA gifts, even though their other expenses are higher. I tell them it won't hurt to increase, say, another $100 or so because that's only $2 a week for the rest of the year. Or it's two dinners out. When you talk to them on that basis, they usually decide they can give more than last year."

Franklin isn't sure if the younger generation is fully aware of what goes on in the community. However, "they know there is a central Jewish organization that has influence and sort of runs the community and they know it's financed through the UJA, and they want to contribute their share. They may not know where the money goes specifically but they do know they are giving to help Israel and the Jewish community."

Both Franklin and his wife took the leadership training course and this helped them understand what the community is all about and has proved a valuable aid in canvassing. (Mrs. Franklin is active in the women's division.)

Kirschner is generally pleased with the response through the young executives but he is distressed that many big earners do not contribute.

"We are successful," he said, "because we have very good campaign workers and we are proud of them. Fortunately, we are developing new prospects all the time and that's good, and that's why we are succeeding. But I still see delinquents in our division — people who are buying $100,000 homes and who go to Florida or Aruba at Christmas, but who don't give a cent to the UJA. I know one guy who makes $100,000 a year and there is just no way you can get him to make a gift."

Kirschner feels that educating Jewish youngsters at an early age as to their responsibilities as Jews could help solve the problem, eventually, of the lack of interest of some in the community.

If the enthusiasm of the chairmen is any indication, this will be a record year for the young executives division. Veteran campaigners can look forward to a whole new reservoir of campaign talent to help them in the future in all other divisions.

Stamp honors immigrant's son

By CHAIM YEHUDA

On June 23, 1965, Australia commemorated the birth centenary of Sir John Monash with a 5d. multicolored stamp. Printed on chalky paper by photogravure and perforated 13½, this stamp shows a picture of Monash in his military uniform and a hydro-electric transmission tower against a predominately red and orange background.

Sir John, born in 1865 in Melbourne, was the son of an immigrant Jewish family, which had come from Vienna. He distinguished himself at university where he graduated in arts, engineering (doctorate), and law, and also studied medicine. He practised civil engineering and in 1900 introduced reinforced concrete construction in Australia. He served as president of the Victorian Institute of Engineers from 1913 to 1915.

Monash served in various military positions and by 1914 was promoted to colonel. Previously, he had been awarded a gold medal for military articles published in the **Commonwealth Journal** in 1900.

At the outbreak of World War I, Monash became chief censor of Australia, but within a few weeks was given command of the Fourth Infantry Brigade at Gallipoli. The Monash Valley was named in his honor, although the tragic operation was unsuccessful.

Monash, promoted to major general, commanded the Third Australian Division which took part in the Third Battle of Ypres to stop the German advances at Amiens. He participated with Canadian troops in the capture of Vimy Ridge.

Monash took over command of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps in France and successfully planned the operations at Hamel, which initiated the final collapse of the German army. His planning methods co-ordinating infantry with tanks, planes and artillery were successful and adopted by the British in their offensive. Soon Monash was in command of eight divisions; his troops captured Mont St. Quentin and broke through the Hindenburg line.

He returned to Australia after the war and became chairman of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria. He directed the planning of the electricity supply which involved the exploitation of the brown coal deposits at Yallourn, the construction of a powerhouse, and the cutting of a track more than 120 miles long for a transmission line to Melbourne.

Active in many organizations, Monash became vice-chancellor of the University of Melbourne in 1923 and was a member of the Australian Council of Defence. He was always interested in Jewish affairs and as one of the country's leading Zionists served as president of the Zionist Federation in 1928.

The next year, Monash was promoted to the rank of general; previously he had been knighted by the king and had been awarded honorary doctorates from Oxford, Cambridge, and Melbourne universities. A statue was unveiled in his honor in Melbourne in 1950 and a memorial at the Maccabean Hall in Sydney in 1951. Monash University in Melbourne was named after him in 1960 and also the village of Kefar Monash in Israel.

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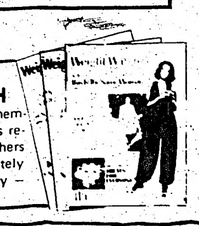

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Sheinin joins exclusive circle

By TOBA KORENBLUM

TORONTO —

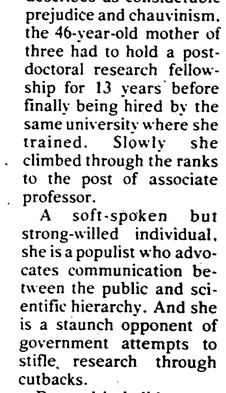
When Rose Sheinin was promoted to head the division of microbiology and parasitology at the University of Toronto, she joined an exclusive circle of women holding departmental chairmanships.

The appointment was partly a credit to her career as a biochemist in the field of cancer virology. But largely, it was a factor of her determination to succeed in a male-dominated profession.

In the face of what she describes as considerable prejudice and chauvinism, the 46-year-old mother of three had to hold a post-doctoral research fellowship for 13 years before finally being hired by the same university where she trained. Slowly she climbed through the ranks to the post of associate professor.

A soft-spoken but strong-willed individual, she is a populist who advocates communication between the public and scientific hierarchy. And she is a staunch opponent of government attempts to stifle research through cutbacks.

Dressed in holiday casualness, she talked over coffee in her Inglewood Drive home about the constraints on her career. "The woman's contribution to science has been sadly underrated," she says with a sigh, and Canada has a more conservative outlook than many Western nations. "There is a degree of resentment and suspicion about women in science, which makes it quite lonely," she adds.



Rose Sheinin

She's had to confront an icy reception from men and women both within and without her profession. Though her parents and husband were supportive of her childhood ambition, she still had to fight her own ingrained attitudes about traditional women's lifestyles.

A U of T professor since 1964, she says there is still a "marked discrepancy" in employment and salary standards for women in the field, though the discrimination is unacknowledged.

Mrs. Sheinin, a past-president of the Canadian Society for Cell Biology, has a special interest in the carcinogenic effect of viruses, and their interaction with other chemical and physical agents.

While causative factors have been singled out in animals, a distinct link between viruses and human cancer has not yet been uncovered. The best evidence so far, says the biochemist, has been unearthed in a rare form of lymphoma called Burkitts. Certain viruses have been implicated in cervical and nasopharyngeal cancer, and have been detected in certain cases of leukemia and breast cancer.

Future prospects include the likelihood of a screening test and vaccine to isolate and treat the viral carcinogens, points out Mrs. Sheinin.

Still, the major precipitating cause of cancer, she says, is environmental, and industrial societies are suffering from their "progress" with higher rates of the disease.

"We're a chemical society and more chemicals are poured into our environment every day without our knowledge," she notes with chagrin, listing blights from air pollutants to food preservatives and cosmetics. "And we accept all this. Nobody questions. The public is unaware of what is going on and couldn't care less until a problem strikes and we expect the government to produce miracles."

She dismisses the charge that science has ignored vital moral questions. The public has higher expectations of science, she says, and ascribes to the researcher a moral or rational superiority which is sometimes unfounded.

Arguing that every individual has a responsibility to be aware of science's potential for evil and for good, she urges people to participate in decisions of an ethical nature. "If they don't make demands on science we will be in a situation where science plunges ahead while society lags behind."

An officer of the cancer grants panel for the Medical Research Council, Mrs. Sheinin calls the government's freeze on research budgets "a total disaster". The constraints have aggravated the brain drain and cut the buying power, in absolute dollars, by 20%. The apparent rationale has been to shift support to applied sciences related to industry, she says, but ironically Canadians have little to benefit by that policy, because much of industry is foreign owned. There is a glimmer of hope, she adds, that government will compensate for losses inflicted and turn its support to the nation's best and brightest.

A member of a Canadian scientific delegation to China in 1973, she marvels at the way the country has altered its research priorities to meet the health and welfare needs of its populace with a "mission-oriented" science.

Canadians, similarly, argues Rose Sheinin, ought to press government to consider their requirements. "Science is a tool to shape their lives," she says, "participation is critical and society should demand it."

Israeli sprinter Esther Shahamorov-Roth visits Tel Aviv Wax Museum where her statue is on display. She competed in Montreal Olympics. (IPPA)

Group promotes Judaism

TORONTO —

A new Jewish organization, designed to foster interest in Judaism, has been formed here. Called the Association for the Living Jewish Spirit, it was established last September.

Rabbi Reuben Slonim is chairman of the leadership committee and Felix Eckstein is secretary treasurer.

Members — eight have been recruited to date — meet every Thursday night at Habonim Congregation, 12 Holloman Road, off Bathurst and Glencairn.

According to Eckstein, ALJS is financed by voluntary contributions from its members.

He says ALJS's task is to encourage Jews to be what all mankind should be, but fails to be — a spirit-governed community.

As well, ALJS will attempt to fight inertia, ignorance and indifference regarding the meaning of Judaism: fight the illusion that man knows how to live without thinking about it; fight assimilation; fight the concept that Judaism consists of rituals, and combat the illusion that only religious Jews can be Jews in spirit.

Eckstein claims that the new group can offer members insights into the meaning of Judaism, the nature of the Jewish spirit, the task and destiny of the Jews and the nature of anti-Semitism.

ALJS's philosophy is probably best summed up by a statement which appears in one of its newsletters:

"In the age of belief, the over-all demand of Judaism was to do the will of God. In the present age of knowledge, the fundamental demand of Judaism is: always to seek what is right. That which is right in the sight of God is right seen objectively. It is that which man will do when his higher forces are in control of his subjective desire, impulses and emotions. Judaism demands an over-all attitude of willingness and readiness to seek what is right."

Or, as Eckstein put it in an interview: "We're going back to the meaning of traditional ideas....Judaism must have a certain purpose and meaning."

Scholarship fund

TORONTO —

Applications to the Meyer W. Gasner Memorial Scholarship Fund, established to assist students planning careers in Jewish education, are now being accepted, it was announced by Sam Sable, chairman.

In making his announcement, Sable said that, in keeping with guidelines established by the scholarship committee, awards will be made to students of all ideological persuasions who are graduates of recognized day high schools and/or yeshivot, with preference being given to students applying for studies at various institutions of higher learning in Israel.

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Scholarship applications forms are available from the Meyer W. Gasner Memorial Scholarship Committee, c/o Board of Jewish Education, 22 Glen Park Avenue, Toronto, Ontario M6B 2B9, or phone 781-4687.

Journal of Psychology and Judaism

Inaugural issue seen as uneven

comment

By MARSHALL KORENBLUM

Journal of Psychology and Judaism

God and Freud — friends or foes? In our secular society an attempt at transcending the old science-religion dichotomy is necessary, and is a fertile area for exploration.

It is to this task that the new Journal of Psychology and Judaism addresses itself. Its stated purposes are to effect a rapprochement between the two spheres and to serve as a forum for discussion of Jewish problems from both a clinical and philosophical viewpoint. It's published in Ottawa, and is edited by Reuven P. Bulka, a rabbi in that city. He obtained his Ph.D. from the University of Ottawa, concentrating on the logotherapy of Viktor Frankl.

In general, the first issue, released this past fall, is uneven. Parts of it scale some lofty philosophical heights quite successfully, while others leave one scratching one's head as to why they were included or what they were trying to say.

The scope of contributions is large, ranging from a review of insanity in Talmudic times, to a look at how Jews respond to pain, to an analysis of current North American family breakdown.

The best piece is an incisive and dispassionate account of the theoretical similarities and differences between psychotherapy and Judaism. It is written by associate editor Moshe Halevi Spero, and deals with the central theme of the journal in a complete and scholarly manner. Abstract and yet vitally relevant, it includes treatises on the value of anxiety and the limitations of psychology.

Less auspicious, but very informative, is Benjamin Schlesinger's "Reflections on Family Breakdown Among Jewish Families". As professor of social work at the University of Toronto, he offers the explanations of changing roles, attenuation of Jewish values, affluence, easier mobility, and the diminished influence of "the grandparent generation" as contributing factors to the rising divorce rate and increased incidence of intermarriage. He suggests that by studying the structure and ethics of the Jewish family in the past, we may be able to learn how to stem the epidemic of disintegration in the present.

Happily, the journal includes a review of the literature in psychiatry, social work, and religious studies. This definitely adds to its status as an erudite endeavor.

Brooklyn psychiatrist Dr. Isaac Kanter unfortunately reveals his own guilt in the highly subjective and rambling "Social Psychiatry and the Holocaust". Intended to be an attack on the psychoanalytic viewpoint of survivors, it turns out to be an apologia for Jewish non-resistance in World War II.

Although the Holocaust has been a subject of many previous papers, the author narrowly deals with only two other writers' works. He indulges in numerous non-sequiturs, argues in circles, and provides such abstruse jargon as the following for discussion: "Repression causes a splitting of the ego, with setting up of counter-cathexis against the return of the repressed."

Dr. Bulka's introductory article is similarly hampered by limited scope and loose thinking. More a lecture than anything else, he imbues religion with a "holier-than-thou" moral superiority and thus builds a rather one-sided bridge across the science-theology gap.

Overall, the concept and objectives of the journal deserve the attention of those engaged in psychotherapy — be they psychiatrists, social workers, or psychologists — those who are students of philosophy and Jewish thought, and rabbinic counsellors.

The fall issue is a fair to good foray into the fray of the "science versus God" fight, and future installments will hopefully continue to cross-fertilize the two approaches to human nature.

Dr. Korenblum is a resident in psychiatry at Sunnybrook Hospital in Toronto.

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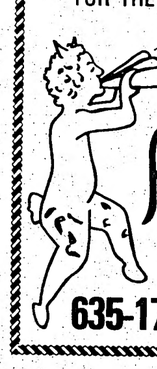

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Phillips creates fresh ideas for critical TV audiences

By TOBA KORENBLUM

TORONTO —

For an executive's office the scene is incongruous — no flow charts, no framed photo of the wife, no stagy decor. Instead, a jar of jelly beans, set of dice, game toys, Mad magazine, Variety and an oversized TV with a videotape machine.

And behind the desk, a far-cry from the consummate organization man, sits a restless, lanky 25-year-old, dressed in tight rust pants and leather jacket. Mark Phillips, since last summer, has been a corporation executive, albeit in a world of make-believe — television.

He's director of program development for Columbia Pictures Television Canada, in a gruelling competitive field where egos are inflated and shattered in the course of a week. His task is to create fresh ideas for a critical audience of Hollywood-fed Canadians.

A past producer of the company's **Under Attack** and **Confrontation**, he concedes many in his field will consider him "wet behind the ears". But, he adds with unbridled confidence: "I don't like to do anything if I can't do it properly."

His field of vision is anything but constricted. "I don't see any reason why Canadians can't produce programs for worldwide consumption," he says brashly but convincingly. "You need money and guts to instigate creativity," commodities, he admits, Canadians are shy to lay on the line.

Phillips seems to have the exuberance, if not the experience, to inject some vitality into Columbia (formerly Screen Gems). He has a slew of ideas on the drafting table, including some well-worked, but successful themes: a daytime soap opera, game show, celebrity panel quiz, variety program and a live carnival-magician showcase staged in a night club.

The key to success, good ratings, and big dollars is entertainment. The mass viewer exodus from locally-grown programs to the American import, is based on that fact, he says leaning back on his swivel chair: "Canadian shows seem so parochial and down home," he winces.

He comes down hard on nationalism, and its agents provocateur, the CBC and CRTC. (Mindful of indelicacies, he is careful to point out his views represent his own thinking and not Columbia's.)

A crown corporation should not be in the business of producing television shows, he argues. "Bureaucrats hire bureaucrats and that's not a great source of creativity...People at the CBC have jobs, titles, offices and nothing to do. It's wasteful." The solution? "They should get out of production and buy from independents," he says, a whimsical grin lighting his face.

Turning to the "CRTC edicts", Phillips says "they have diluted the quality of programing. I would rather see 10% Canadian content that people watch rather than 55% that few people look at."

Our national inferiority complex has created a disturbing drain of talent to the U.S. CBC, he says, has turned away such spritely imaginative projects as Lorne Michael's **Saturday Night Live**, only to be grabbed up south of the border. "If it can be done in Los Angeles or New York by Canadians, why can't it be done here?"

His career has been almost too easy. Educated at Humber College's department of creative and communication arts, he filed the usual unanswered stream of applications to the usual employment sources.

First working as a publicity writer at the Ontario Place Forum, he produced a couple of shows there before moving on to Toronto Calendar magazine as a writer-researcher.

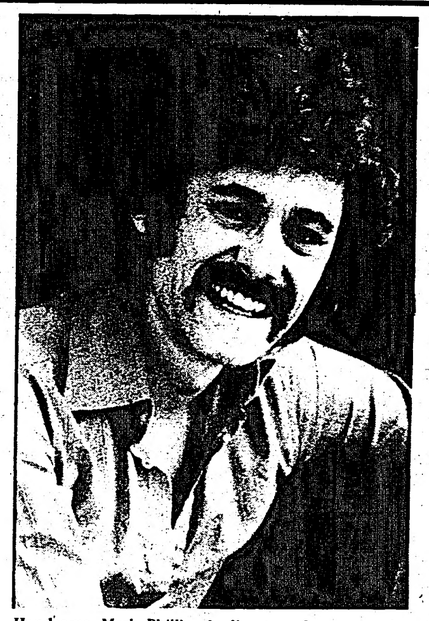
Through grit and imagination, he caught the eye of Columbia's international production chief Dan Enright, and at 22 joined the family. The company was then churning out here such turgid melodramas as **People in Conflict, Doctors Diary, Family Court**, as well as **Under Attack**.

The last named, the company's prize Canadian product, appealed to gut issues that were the concern of the every day man, claims Phillips. Considered by some critics to be sensationally provocative, the shows' producer, who also designed the set and wrote the music for **Under Attack**'s offspring **Confrontation**, defends the programs' style. The themes, he says, were "palatable and entertaining, not dull and Barbara Frumed to death."

Despite his apparent distaste for CBC bureaucracy he has contributed as a writer-commentator on the network's TV shows **Such Is Life** and **In Good Company** and as a satirist on CBL Radio's **Bruce Smith Show**.

His main interests are his wife, Debbie, an interior decorator, and naturally, watching television. A product of the "boob-tube" generation, he lists as his all-time favorite, Rod Serling's **Twilight Zone**, and is attracted to that blend of fantasy, the supernatural and philosophical.

Much of television is a gamble, he says, reviewing his six-month-old job. For non-network, independent production houses — without permanent studios and budgets for large staffs — it can be even more risky. And, glancing around his executive office, he admits it's a different life than the frenetic-paced producer's job. "It's quiet," he confides. "And sometimes lonely."



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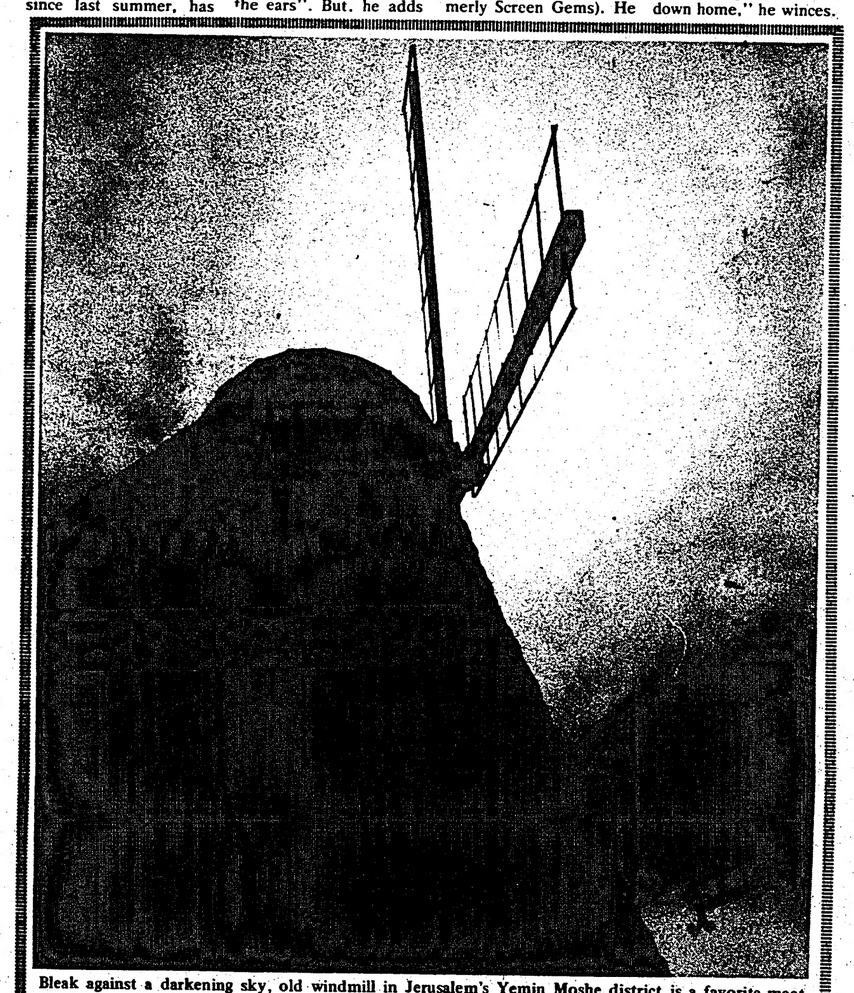

Bleak against a darkening sky, old windmill in Jerusalem's Yemin Moshe district is a favorite meeting point in the Israeli capital. It was built over 100 years ago by British philanthropist. (Goldberg)

Boring actors litter play

theatre

By LYNN SLOTKIN

The season at the Royal Alexandra Theatre is not shaping up into one to be desired. No **Man's Land** was passable, but **By George** and **Very Good Eddie** were awful, and now, joining this duo of duds is **The Scenario** by Jean Anouilh.

One of the many problems with this work is the overabundance of ideas with little attention paid to any one of them. The result is an unfocused, boring play — a mish-mash of undeveloped thoughts.

An idealistic writer (Paluche) and a cynical, self-pitying director (D'Anthac) are feverishly trying to finish the scenario for a new movie for boorish, tasteless Loubenstein, a producer. When they all meet to discuss the movie, the ideas come flying out from all directions and generally end up slamming to the ground, lifeless.

Ideas like the sensitive writer not being able to live with himself because he has sold out the integrity of his work for easy money; the director, not being able to face his past, drinks to forget it. Even Hitler gets into the act (the play takes place in 1939).

A character, Von Spitz, who spends most of the play being silent, all of a sudden comes forth with a long speech about how insecure people seek power in order to get revenge on those who humiliated them when they were powerless.

And he equates Hitler with Loubenstein in this context, which is mind boggling considering that Loubenstein is a Jew and Hitler barely made it as a human.

Anouilh is so obvious in his lecturing to us. He has littered the play with boring characters and director Stuart Burge has littered the stage with boring actors, most of whom scream their lines instead of merely projecting.

Trevor Howard is expressionless and uninspiring as D'Anthac. John Bluthal as Loubenstein has a consistent European accent, which is nice, but he overacts, muggs, yells, and waves and saws the air with his hands unmercifully.

However, all is not totally lost. Geoffrey Bateman is most interesting as Von Spitz, the most difficult part because it is so badly written. Bateman is fascinating to watch because he listens so well, something many actors can't handle. He lends dignity and flair to the character.

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Yet another film is being made on the Entebbe raid. The latest is being put together by noted Israeli film-maker, Menachem Golan in Israel. Golan (with white jersey) supervises the action.

Young Bedouin blows his flute in new Tel Aviv suburb of Ramat Aviv Gimel. Area is still an occasional Bedouin encampment, and just a short distance from sprawling Tel Aviv University. (IPPA)

Violence in Belfast adds to the difficulties of small community

By JUDITH ROSENFIELD

Visitors are rare so community relies on itself for strength

BELFAST [JCN&FS] — The Belfast Jewish community, which numbers about 270 families is, like other small communities in the United Kingdom, going through a difficult period, but Belfast has the added difficulty of "the troubles."

Violence has spread to most parts of the city and, understandably, visitors from mainland Britain are rare. At one time there was a steady stream of Jews from the Dublin community travelling north, but not that, too, is diminishing. Even men with business connections in the city come and go as quickly as possible.

One result of this is a sense of isolation. The community relies on itself for its strength. It is without a rabbi, something very much regretted in a city which has been served by such outstanding men as Rabbi Isaac Herzog (who became chief rabbi of Israel), Rabbi Jacob Shachter, a noted scholar who on his retirement made his home in Jerusalem, and Rabbi Alexander Carlebach (an academician now living in Jerusalem.)

The Rev. Shmuel Aharoni — whose chazanuth has for the past 17 years given so much pleasure to the congregation — is now in semi-retirement. Chazanim, like rabbis, are becoming more and more rare and not everybody wishes to take up an appointment in Belfast just now.

As a community, Belfast Jewry has not identified itself with any of the warring factions in the city nor has it been singled out for attack by any of them. Some were badly hit by bombs, not because they were Jewish, but simply because they were in the area where there were attacks. The homes of two prominent Jewish businessmen were deliberately attacked, not for religious reasons but because the IRA had said they would attack the homes of wealthy people in residential parts of the city in retaliation for what they called "harassment" by the British army, of people in the poorer areas.

Lack of communication with other communities has resulted in a marked decline in the number of weddings; it would be possible to count on one hand the number which have been solemnized in recent months, and the announcement of an engagement is hailed with great joy. There have not been many brit milas either.

The community is an ageing one. Young people who in normal times would have chosen the local university in which to study, now choose one in England, and when they graduate, make their career in England. Girls leave home for jobs in the bigger centres where there is more social life and none of the tension of a strife-torn city.

Parents who in the past would have shuddered at the idea of their young sons and daughters leaving a good Jewish home and fending for themselves elsewhere, are now happy enough to let them go to a city where there is not the constant fear of being hit by a sniper's bullet, or caught up in a bomb explosion.

All this may present a picture of a depressed community; if so it is a false picture. There is still a considerable amount of entertainment in homes, dinner parties and coffee mornings organized by the various societies like Young WIZO, Ziona, the ladies' guild, and every Shabbat there is a kiddush at the communal centre following the service. A bigger congregation would be welcome of course, but Belfast, regrettably, is not unique in having a diminishing number of congregants in synagogue. The Friendship Club is very popular and meets every week for tea, talk and cards. The many organizations continue to flourish despite a community sadly diminished by deaths, and families and individuals who have left for a less troubled life elsewhere.

The Board of Guardians, which was in a very unhealthy state a year ago, has recovered following an appeal for funds.

All in all not a murky picture of a community holding its own, and determined to do so in spite of difficulties.

Foreigners flock to Mexico City to bolster Jewish school system

By HAIM LAZDEISKI

MEXICO CITY [JCNS] — The Mexican community is too small and too weak to provide for its spiritual and educational needs from among its own ranks and has traditionally been helped in this respect by larger Diaspora communities, as well as by Israel. In Mexico City's Jewish school system, for instance, many of the educationists and teachers are from Israel.

Argentina, Uruguay and Chile are also well represented. There are a number of reasons for this, including raging inflation in some Latin American countries; currency devaluations; political upheavals; the uncertainties of the future and, in some cases, physical insecurity.

In recent years, many educationists, teachers, rabbis, chazanim and other officials have gone to Mexico from Argentina, Uruguay and Chile — some to settle permanently, others to work in the country for a few years before moving on. They have done so because Mexico, until a few months ago at least, was a paradise compared with other countries in the region.

Two of its Jewish schools now have "foreign" principals. One is from Buenos Aires, in Argentina, where he was the director of a national religious institute of learning. The other is from Israel, where he lived for some years after emigrating from Uruguay. The High Holy Day services in no fewer than four synagogues were conducted by chazanim originally from Argentina.

Both yeshivot in the country are headed by rabbis from Argentina. Rabbi Samuel Mishkin, of the Yeshiva of Mexico, is originally from Buenos Aires, though he went to Mexico many years ago from San Jose, in Costa Rica. His yeshiva accepts girls as well as boys and has a total of 90 students. In addition to Hebrew and Jewish studies, they also study the State school curriculum.

The second yeshiva, which is maintained by the Nidchei Israel congregation of Mexico City, is headed by Rabbi Zvi Laufer. Born in Argentina, he completed his religious studies in Israel and obtained his rabbinical diploma there.

The new rabbi of Nidchei Israel, Rabbi Uziel Milewsky, is from Uruguay. His father, Rabbi Aaron Milewsky, was for many years a minister in Montevideo. Another Uruguayan is the principal of the I.L. Peretz Jewish school.

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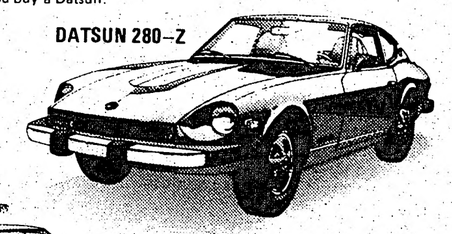

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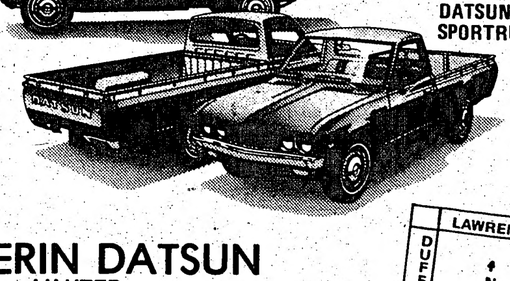

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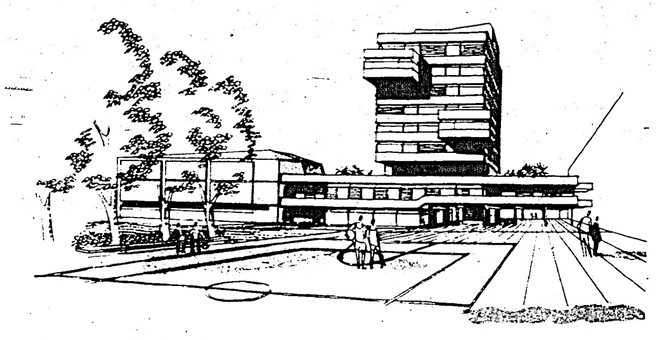

Architect's drawing of the new Centre for the Deaf and Mute in state of Israel.

MARCH GOAL

Proceeds from the fifth annual March to Jerusalem, set for May 1, will go toward the building of a new centre for the deaf and mute in Israel. Money from previous marches was used to establish youth centres in Jerusalem and Bet Sean.

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RENE LEVESQUE

The first official meeting between representatives of the Quebec Jewish Community and Premier **Rene Levesque** has been called for Jan. 21 at the premier's office in Montreal. The Jewish delegation will be mainly composed of Canadian Jewish Congress officials but representatives of other organizations will attend.

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NEW CONSUL

A successor has been appointed for Israeli Consul General **Peter Aran**, who recently left Montreal to take a new post in the Ivory Coast. He is **Zvi Caspi**, who will arrive in early February. He is returning to the foreign service after five years as director of development projects at the Shaare Zedek Hospital. His former posts as a diplomat include New York and Marseilles, France.

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BARNEY DANSON

Minister of National Defense **Barney Danson** will be the guest speaker at an Israel Bond Dinner honoring **Harvey Britton** at the Beth Zion synagogue on Jan. 16.

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CEGEP WEEKEND

CEGEP Hillel students tonight begin a weekend seminar on Soviet Jewry at Lac Lachigan.

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KING LECTURE

AJCS public relations director **Joe King** will speak on "The Organized Jewish Community and Its Agencies" at the Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue Jan. 16, the second lecture in the 1977 Men's Association Breakfast Forum.

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DO IT NOW

Now's the time to register for the many winter courses being offered by the YM-YWHA, says 'Y' public relations director **Betty Rozovsky**. They include bridge classes at the Snowdon branch beginning Jan. 17, taught by **Manya Kugler** and **Solomon Leblanc**. Conversational French is offered at the Laval Jewish Community Centre also starting Jan. 17.

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SQUARE DANCE

The Montreal Jewish Single Graduate Association has two events lined up for this week. A square dance tomorrow night (more information from Allan 845-9957 or Gail 681-5059) and a sea food dinner Tuesday night (Libby 739-7901 for details.)

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PRISON LIFE

Ever wonder what happened to former Canada-Israel Committee French department head **Jacques Lasalle**? He's in prison...counselling inmates at the Cowansville penitentiary. CIC director **Myer Bick** is still looking for a replacement.

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HERE AND NOW

The 10-minute Montreal Jewish community current events program hosted by **Joe King** on CFOX radio increased to 30 minutes on Jan. 9 and moved to a new time slot at 9:00 a.m. Sundays.

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BECKER ON CJF

Hillel Becker was elected to the board of directors of the New York-based Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds at the recent 45th annual CJF General Assembly in Philadelphia. He will serve a two-year term with CJF, the association of central community organizations serving 800 Jewish communities in the United States and Canada.

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ALROY LECTURE

Prominent scholar in Middle Eastern affairs and author of **The Kissinger Experience** and **Behind the Middle-Eastern Conflict**, **Gil Carl Alroy**, will speak on "Israel and the Arab World: How Some Basic Problems Affect The Present Situation," at Tifereth Beth David Jerusalem Jan. 19 at 8:30 p.m. His lecture is the fourth in the Institute on Israel & Zionism series.

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NEW PRESIDENT

Mildred Lande was recently named president of the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Montreal succeeding **Arthur Pascal**. Other officers are vice-president **Charles Bronfman**, chairman **Jack Cummings**, vice-chairman **Bernard Lande**, secretary **Oscar Respitz**, and treasurer **Barry Clamen**. Established in 1971, the Foundation oversees the use of wills and bequests.

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NCJW PROGRAM

The National Council of Jewish Women, Montreal section, is offering a health information program for women aged 20 to 35 based on the book **Our Bodies, Our Selves**, prepared by the Boston Women's Collective. The nine-seminar series will run from Jan. 18-March 15 and focus on such topics as birth control, health habits and health care services. Non-members welcome.

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SINGLE WOMEN

A new study or interest group is being formed to meet the needs of single, widowed or divorced women. Those interested are asked to contact **Edna Cohen** at 482-9008 or the NCJW office, 733-7589.

Saul Hayes backs PQ

Support for Levesque urged

MONTREAL — In a lead editorial appearing in the December-January issue of Canadian Jewish Congress' French department's Bulletin du Cercle Juif, Saul Hayes urges all Quebecers to give their support to the Parti Quebecois government.

"Forthwith, Mr. Levesque should receive all possible support from all sectors of the public. He is surrounded by a group of capable persons who... merit the chance to try to pull Quebec from the slump...which Mr. Bourassa was incapable of relieving us...."

Hayes partly attributes the PQ victory to Robert Bourassa calling the election on the issue of repatriation of the constitution, although it was not mentioned anywhere during the campaign.

"The Parti Quebecois who played down the question of separatism was taken to task by its adversaries on a point it did not raise.

Saul Hayes

"The Liberals' tactic was evidently clearly perceived and the wisdom of the Parti Quebecois' strategy confirmed by the pre- and post-election polls which indicated an anti-separatist attitude."

Hayes congratulates the PQ on its victory on behalf of Congress and "in the interest of all residents of Quebec, wish it well."

"Spokesmen of Congress and representatives of the Jewish community believe that the well-being, prosperity and internal serenity of the people of Quebec rests with good legislation put in effect by a competent civil service. Our wish lives in the hope that the Parti Quebecois will be a responsible and exemplary government in the interest of all."

Hayes notes in his article that the separatist movement goes back well before the establishment of the PQ to the days of 1836-37 rebellion and separatist feelings have not only been confined to French Canadians.

Although the BNA Act of 1867 cannot be considered useful today in its present form, Hayes believes the answer does not lay in the dismemberment of the country.

If fear is to prevail, it may inhibit good government and could slow the success of alleviating low productivity, poor business, declining investments, strained relations between management and labor and other economic problems, says Hayes.

A feeling of confidence and optimism is needed now.

"There is a time for debating the question of separatism, presently anathema to so many French Canadians, Anglo-Celtics and those of other ethnic groups. Let's not now heat up a future debate by throwing oil on the fire — by fear and irrational acts of emotion."

"Quebec is facing similar problems as those of all western industrial nations and only sane judgment will lessen the shocks and inspire more faith and confidence.

"Our duty, henceforth, is to recognize the clear mandate given the Parti Quebecois — to govern a province of Canada. Separatism is indeed a very serious question, one of very ample magnitude, but those who do not believe in it and disfavor its goals will not conquer by opposing the big "choice of the people" that was proclaimed everywhere. It must have time to prove its worth as a government."

Information drive planned

MONTREAL [Staff] — The Canadian Zionist Federation's new information director, Shmuel Frenkel, is planning to beef up the present Zionist information network in Canada.

Only two months in his new position, Frenkel has already visited Toronto and Ottawa to meet with Zionist and Jewish community leaders.

One of his ideas for intensifying CZF information activities is the establishment of a speakers bureau which he believes will contain 60 to 100 names of Israelis living in Canada, as well as those of travelling lecturers.

"I am going to meet with as many Israelis as possible, including members of the Israeli consulate and the Israeli ambassador to see who is available. We'll determine who is good with small or large audiences, what languages they speak and so on. If these speakers talk to 20-30 people each month, we'll be reaching more people than we are now."

The information department itself at CZF headquarters is being strengthened despite a tight budget and shortage of manpower. Frenkel, who acts as the representative of the World Zionist Organization department of organization and information, sees his role as just that — organizing information. He hopes to increase CZF's activities in Toronto as well as establish contacts across Canada in both the major and smaller communities.

The CFMB radio program, heard in Montreal Sundays, featuring news from Israel, will soon be broadcast in Toronto.

The newsletter, Behind The Headlines, sent to Jewish leaders across Canada, will report the news not published in the daily newspapers.

The Israel Information Centre in the CZF building will expand its present collection of material on Israel, Zionism and Judaism made available to anyone needing this sort of information. Frenkel is thinking of moving the centre to Snowdon or Cote St. Luc from the Westmount headquarters, where it will be closer to those most likely to use the material. Another centre may be opened in Toronto.

The film library is undergoing a revamping. Old films are being repaired, new films added and a new catalogue will soon be issued. A recent addition to the library each month is Israel Report, a 25-minute movie about current happenings in Israel.

With the speakers, information and films, Frenkel will be able to supply any community in Canada with everything needed for a seminar. He especially hopes to reach Jewish youth and Jews in the smaller communities.

Services to francophone Jews are being increased with more French material, films and lecturers made available.

There has been some encouragement for Frenkel. Aliyah is "increasing day by day," with more calls to the CZF Aliyah Centre than ever before. Figures for those immigrating to Israel in November increased to 39 from 27 in October. "Everybody I talk to tell me they see no future in Quebec. But most see a move to Ontario or western Canada or Florida. I try to show them there is an alternative — Israel."

Japanese play political game

IN MY VIEW

By CHARLES LAZARUS

MONTREAL — In August, 1974, a dispatch of mine to The Canadian Jewish News from Tel Aviv reported Chaim Glovinsky, who was responsible for organizing Israel's participation in the Montreal Olympics, as saying that "we don't ask anything special" in the way of security arrangements.

Thus did The CJN more than two years ago contain the first indication that Israel was not quite ready to give up its right for a place in the Olympic stadium because of the Munich Olympic Massacre in 1972, just as it refuses to give up its right to exist because its martyrs, since 1948, have fallen on battlefield and at the hands of terrorists.

In that interview, Glovinsky said something very significant:

"We have great confidence in Canada's security ability, and the RCMP is a good police force. It is not necessary for the Israeli athletes to be treated differently from anyone else."

Why, you may ask, am I bringing this matter up at this time?

A good question, because of what happened — or rather, what didn't happen, in terms of the absence of terror incidents at last summer's Olympics — is very pertinent to some very disturbing news from, of all places, Tokyo.

According to a report from Israel, "certain member countries should be barred from Olympic participation for security reasons," in the view of the Japanese Olympic Committee which is reportedly working toward that end.

The dispatch in The Jerusalem Post said that "Israel will vigorously oppose the Japanese Olympic Committee's proposal" which was made by a Japanese Olympic official, and who will put if before the March meeting of the International Olympic Committee executive at Abidjan, the Ivory Coast capital.

Glovinsky feels that the Japanese proposal is "purely political...having nothing to do with security" and that "Japan was in fact embarrassed by the decision last summer of the Asian Games Federation's executive to exclude Israel from the 1978 games 'for security reasons'."

Of course Glovinsky, an elderly veteran of a number of Olympiads, who talks slowly and amiably but with a tough tongue, is absolutely right:

It's politics, not security.

With a touch of pride, I ignore the cost of the Montreal Games while recalling the impeccable security arrangements, which permitted all the events to proceed in a tense political atmosphere of participant eligibility, without even the smallest incident permitted to disturb the peace.

What is this new bit, that the Japanese Olympic Committee is now trying to pull off?

As far as Japan is concerned, I can only judge the Olympic matter on what I've seen and what I know.

Israel was all set and ready to join the parade, when word came from the Japanese Foreign Ministry that maybe it wasn't such a good idea.

The reason, said the Japanese, was "security" — and that was long before the Munich Massacre of 1972, when Olympic security surfaced as a "problem" for Olympic executives.

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Travel

Dr. John Evans, president of the University of Toronto, visited Tel Aviv University last November. He was received by dean of the medical school.

Habits need refurbishing

Travel resolutions for the new year

By LARRY FROMMER

WASHINGTON — New Year's is a time for renascence, turning over new leaves, mending fences, wiping slates clean and vowing to do it all a little better in the year ahead. With the most sincere and noble of intentions we make the customary resolutions about changing our habits and amending our ways.

Since this column is devoted to matters of travel, a number of New Year's resolutions which are uniquely appropriate to travelers, present themselves. For surely all of us perennial peripatetics, including your writer, could benefit from a little refurbishing of our travel habits and attitudes.

For instance, we could resolve that when traveling abroad, we will not expect everything as it is back home for otherwise why go to all of the trouble and expense of leaving home. Most of us might resolve to be a bit more patient when service is slower than we would like because if we are on vacation; pray what is the hurry anyway?

Many of us have been guilty of neglecting to cancel duplicate airline reservations during busy travel seasons, so it might help if we would vow to straighten up and fly right so that we don't deprive others of a chance to travel. And some of us might try not to be so darned preoccupied with the prices on the back of hotel room doors, taxi cab metres or other petty details that we don't have time nor disposition for the important and fulfiling things of travel.

But these are resolutions which pertain to our general travel experience. There is another dimension to our travels, that of the Jewish experience, which also warrants our best intentioned resolutions on this, the New Year.

For those who fly "kosher", how about resolving to reserve that kosher meal no later than 24 hours before flight time so that you won't have occasion to get angry with the hostess when she tells you your dinner is not aboard.

Let's resolve to stop procrastinating and take that long deferred trip to Israel, for it is a fact that the economy of Israel needs your tourist dollars now, more than ever before. And while we're at it, we can resolve that whenever possible we will fly El Al, Israel's national carrier.

Let us resolve that when we travel to Israel, we will come as friends and brothers and not as patronizing benefactors and that we will refrain from reminding the Israelis how much we have done for them through our contributions to the United Jewish Appeal and our investment in Israel Bonds.

Let us resolve that when we travel to Russia we will be more than just tourists and will make it our personal responsibility to communicate with our Jewish brethren there in order to alleviate their sense of isolation and to bring them a feeling of community with their Canadian Jewish co-religionists.

We can resolve to maintain a semblance of Jewish orientation in our travels anywhere and to take a little time to explore those artifacts of Jewish interest and significance in addition to the customary attractions.

We should resolve not to exclude a hotel or resort from our vacation plans because their guests include people of other colors and creeds. For please remember that it wasn't too long ago that we were the minority which was marked for exclusion and cool treatment by many vacation hotels and destinations.

We might resolve to maintain a "show me" attitude regarding travel to Mexico and postpone our flow of tourists dollars to that country until such time as we are convinced that its posture towards Israel is significantly softened.

Let us resolve that whenever we travel our decorum will be impeccable. For though a bigot is a bigot, and nothing is likely to change him, why give those of our hosts and fellow tourists who are so inclined, additional ammunition for bigotry.

And finally, let us vow to respect the artifacts, customs, traditions and mores of other cultures as much as we expect them to respect ours. The too frequent denigration of Christian shrines in Israel by Jewish tourists, for instance, has no place either in our travels or in our hearts.

Happy New Year.

Vermont is delight for inn lovers

By BOBBI SHAW

STOWE, VERMONT — Roughing it or smoothing it, cross-country or downhill, old, new or a happy combination, Vermont's got it all.

Yet while the state has become the ski capital of the east, most of its small towns and villages have resisted the onslaught of contemporary plastic culture.

And the large number of country inns, combining old world charm with modern comfort, makes Vermont a delight for inn lovers. In fact, where you lay your head won't be a problem as long as you book ahead.

Accommodations run the gamut of lavish inns and rustic lodges, to guesthouses and dormitories that sleep from six to 18 friendly people. A dormitory bed with breakfast costs between $7.50 and $10 a night.

The official Vermont ski guide lists 40 resorts through the state with both downhill slopes and cross-country trails to suit every level of skill.

So no need for a family clash over which way to go. Everyone can do his or her own thing, then meet at the day's end to relive the experience in words.

Stowe is an 8½-hour drive from southwestern Ontario and offers some of Vermont's finest skiing and liveliest apres-ski.

Stowe's three main ski areas are Mt. Mansfield, Spruce Peak and the Toll House. Mt. Mansfield Base House is the starting point for three major lifts.

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For prices on everything from ski package deals to lift-tickets, charges for using cross-country trails, accommodation and reservations, write Stowe Area Association, Inc., Box 1230, Stowe, Vermont 05672, or phone 802-253-7321.

Bass art museum houses old masters' collection

MIAMI BEACH — The Bass Museum of Art, 2100 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, has taken its place among prime points of interest both for visitors and residents of this city.

The city-operated museum, housing the multi-million dollar Bass collection, formerly comprised the Miami Beach Library and Art Center. It was reconstructed in 1964 at a cost of $160,000 and has been improved and enriched since then. The museum provides the last word in lighting and a stereo system throughout the building.

The collection, donated to the city of Miami Beach by Mr. and Mrs. John Bass of New York and Miami Beach, comprises paintings ranging from such old Masters as Botticelli, Rubens, Franz Hals, Renoir, Gainsborough, Van Gogh, El Greco, and modern artists such as Modigliani, Guillaumin, Rouault and Picasso.

There are numerous examples of wood sculpture, dating back to the 14th century, and two of the largest and finest hunting tapestries in the world as well as the magnificent Gothic tapestry formerly in the J.P. Morgan tapestry collection, originally owned by the archbishop of Canterbury and the king of England.

A favorite of visitors is a magnificent Rubens, "St. Anne and the Holy Family," recently loaned to the Royal Museum of Beaux Arts of Belgium for an international Rubens exposition. The masterpiece is now back at the Bass Museum.

The museum also houses a large number of old church objects and vestments of the medieval and baroque period plus a large collection of Tibetan bronzes. In addition, there is a large collection of ancient gold, silver and bronze coins; examples of old Brussel lace, some fine embroidered French male costumes of the Roccoco period; musical autographs, manuscripts and first editions of the great classical composers such as Bach, Mozart, Haydn, and Beethoven.

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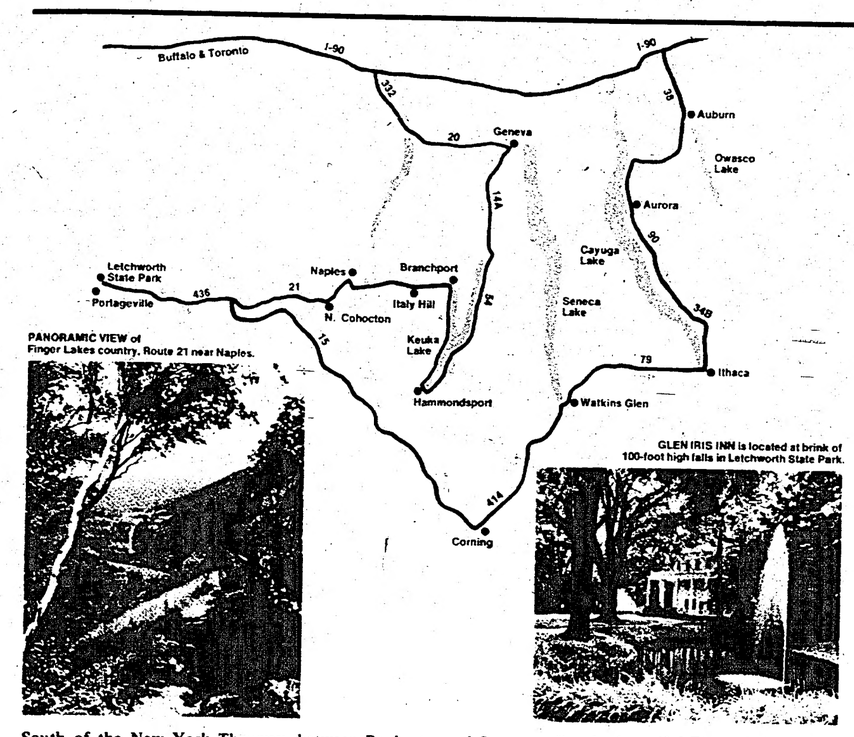

South of the New York Thruway, between Rochester and Syracuse, lies the beautiful Finger Lakes region.

Finger Lakes region will satisfy the budget-conscious motorist

By BOBBI SHAW

ROCHESTER — Maybe you measure the success of a long weekend by the number of new things you do and see. Maybe you like to stay put in one place and slow life down a little.

Perhaps you fall somewhere in between the bustler and the browser, but you're certainly interested in having an inexpensive two or three day break.

Whatever, just a four-hour drive from Toronto you'll find the place to satisfy your soul and your budget.

The Finger Lakes region takes its name from the 11 slender lakes what lie just south of the New York State Thruway, between Rochester and Syracuse.

Once you've made your break with Canada, been cheered by the lower gasoline prices and turned off the thruway, you'll find yourself in a land of clear lakes, rolling hills and pleasant small towns. The region also happens to be home to eastern America's wine-making industry.

After you've sampled a red wine or sipped champagne and nibbled on hot wine-flavored hors d'oeuvre in the atmosphere of a vaulted cellar, you may decide that touring the wineries is all you want to do for the rest of your holiday. Nothing wrong in that and there are enough wineries to keep you happy.

There are also a number of handsome 100-year-old country inns in the region where you can hang on to that wine-inspired mellow feeling. Each one is different.

The only thing they have in common is a delightful absence of television, telephones and bellboys. Instead you'll get a warm welcome from the innkeeper, a comfortable room for about $18 a night for two, and good food at a reasonable price.

But, be careful, there may well be no room at the inn if you don't book ahead. While dining facilities are ample, guest accommodation is limited.

As well as wineries and inns there are literally dozens of interesting and educational tours of gardens and museums plus a number of historic sites and state parks.

You'll want to choose your own route and pace but here are a few of the highlights on a circular tour of Seneca, Keuka and Cayuga Lakes.

• Geneva, at the intersection of routes 5, 20 and 14, is a lovely old town at the north end of Seneca Lake. Notice the large old homes of unique cobblestone construction. The main street overlooking the lake lives up to its name as the "most beautiful street in America."

• The Glenn H. Curtiss Museum is at Hammondsport at the bottom of Lake Keuka on route 54. The museum is a memorial to the "Father of Naval Aviation", and is a must for aircraft and history buffs.

• Letchworth State Park an the Glen Iris Inn are both worth a visit. From Hammondsport–take 54A along the western shore of Keuka Lake to Branchport. Head west to Italy Hill and East Italy then to Naples on route 21.

Continue on routes 21 and 436 to Letchworth State Park and The Glen Iris Inn. The Inn is an elegant two-storey frame mansion with a breath-taking setting.

There's another inn at nearby Portageville. The Genesee Falls Inn has the warmth and cosiness of an old time hostelry which is not surprising since it's been operating as an inn since 1822.

From this point you can be back in Toronto within five hours, or you can head south for more to see.

Congenial community festivals

Florida displays heritage

TALLAHASSEE, FLA. — Anxious to please and proud of their heritage, more and more Florida communities vie for visitors' plaudits by showing off traditions in a festive manner. The state's already impressive lineup of events continues to expand, and nine new festivals are in store for the 1977 visitor.

Lake Buena Vista shopping village, within the Walt Disney World complex, inaugurated an annual art festival last year in November, with over 200 artists selected from 700 international entrants. Art works are displayed in the European-style setting of the village, and the event is billed as the only one of its kind to extend into the evening hours. The 1976 event is slated for Nov. 19-21.

The Central Florida community of Haines City, southwest of Walt Disney World, takes on an old-timey air during its day-long Haines City Happening the Saturday before Washington's birthday. Festivities include sun-filled picnic events and races, along with a parade of antique cars and bicycles.

March ushers in two newcomers, with the Lake Worth Spring Festival, March 10-12, and the Clay County Festival at Orange Park. Both celebrate the arrival of spring with art shows, musical programs and several days of surprises.

One of the nation's southernmost cities, Islamorada, in the Florida Keys, offers an historical happening, the Indian Key Festival Aug. 7. Drenched in history, the event commemorates the anniversary of the Perrine Indian Massacre.

On Sept. 3, a salute to Florida's skittish blue crab takes place at Panacea, the photogenic fisherman's village, south of Tallahassee in Florida's Big Bend area. This tasty crustacean steals the show in a hilarious crab race and is the star of a day-long festival dedicated to the blue-crab industry.

The renowned reputation and enduring popularity of Cypress Gardens is nourished again as it springs a first-ever event: the Florida Hotdogging Championship.

In this event, water skiers do tricks similar to the ones done in snow skiing, including somersaults off the jump ramps and complete flips in the air straight off the water. This exciting championship is set for July 1.

Theatre enthusiasts long enchanted by the professional calibre of the Asolo State Theater, community theatres and major playhouses of Florida now can add the Summer Repertory Theater of the University of Florida at Gainesville to their list of must-see's. A four-play season of comedy and light plays begins July 20.

A carnival atmosphere prevails at Pompano Beach's Broward Showcase, a new fair concept planned for Oct. 7-16. Live entertainment, the annual Florida All-Breed Horse Exposition and a complete midway combine to make this 10-day event a top draw for visitors to Florida's Tropical Coast.

Regardless of the event or festival theme, each celebration is designed to capture the true spirit of the host city. Florida happily continues its tradition of sharing warmth — from the sun and its congenial communities.

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Moon church poses threat to college youth

By LOTTIE and JACK ROBINS

NEW YORK —

The "Reverend" Sun Myung Moon, a self-ordained evangelist and self-proclaimed Messiah from Korea, is initiating a campaign to recruit college-age youth all over the world, including all 50 states, Mexico and Canada, and to infiltrate Jewish organizations. Over 50% of his present followers are Jewish.

Despite the attempt of parents to stop their children from joining Moon's Unification Church, and to rescue those already in, Moon continues to attract the best and brightest of our youth. How the "Church" is doing it, and how the parents are combatting this dangerous movement, has become one of the most controversial topics of our time.

Recruits are promised careers, clothing, paid medical bills, and a new and perfect society. Once in, the Church provides only the barest subsistence. In turn, the Church demands that the recruits give up careers, money, friends and parents, and devote all their time to recruiting and fund-raising.

Recruiting is done on college campuses, in front of public libraries, on the streets, and by picking up hitchhikers and inviting them to a free dinner to meet a group of young people who "want to better the world." Once there, they are persuaded to stay and work for the Messiah, who, it eventually turns out, is Moon. Self-hypnosis by constant praying, and eventually brainwashing, is used to coerce the young people to keep them in the movement.

"Love your parents, but don't trust them," they are told. Once indoctrinated, an invisible but definitive iron gate locks the Moonie and his mind away from society and the outside world. Some parents have had to resort to illegal snatching in order to get their children out.

Moon now owns, in the name of the Unification Church, over $50 million worth of prime property all over the U.S., plus numerous factories, in both Korea and the U.S. His Korean factories include pharmaceuticals, weapons, pottery, ginsent tea, munition parts, and shortly he is to receive a contract to make M16 automatic rifles for the South Korean government.

Moonies sell peanuts, candy, candles, tea and flowers on the streets, in parking lots and door-to-door, 16-18 hours a day, averaging $300 daily. Multiply this by 7,000 hard-core members that Moon claims to have, and the figures are mind-boggling.

"Moon is building an army, not a church," says Arthur Robins, ex-Moonie son of the authors. "He has not told his followers to shoot yet, but the potential is there. They're not above violence. We were taught to obey every order, including dying for Moon, which we were told was a privilege. Under hypnosis, Moonies cannot think for themselves. Right now he has them programed to be polite, smile, and say God Bless You. But when the time is right he will put a gun in their hands and tell them to shoot all who are against him, just as Hitler did."

It is a well-known fact that Moon has on his staff former Hitler youth who have guided him in the various techniques used by Hitler to control the minds of young people.

Just as Hitler did in the 1930s, Moonies have already begun to infiltrate teenage groups. In New York City, the Unification Church of Manhattan sponsors a Boy Scout Explorer Post. In San Francisco, Rabbi Arnold J. Maggid of Congregation Emanu-El was visited last January by two well-dressed young women, Sheri Saeger and Michele Tunis, who stated they represented a new organization called: "Judaism: In Service to the World," its purpose being to bring the beauties of Jewish culture to the attention of the entire world. Upon investigation, this organization turned out to be another Moon front, the sole purpose being to recruit and fund-raise among Jews.

On the West Coast, Dr. Mose I. Durst, English professor on leave of absence from Laney College, Oakland, Calif., and Jeremiah Schnee, leaders of Creative Community Project in Booneville, Calif., one of the largest fronts of the Unification Church, recently applied for membership at Temple Beth Abraham in Oakland, and were refused because they "didn't meet by-law qualifications which require that applicants be of good character in professing the Jewish religion."

Schnee manages a janitorial and construction company and Aladin, a Jewish delicatessen, both in Oakland, and both owned by the Unification Church. Durst is a former Lubavitcher Jew.

Creative Community Project recently offered $1,000 to the Jewish National Fund, as well as to other unnamed groups, which were refused.

At least a dozen Moonies are Israelis. "I was recruited first in Jerusalem, and then again while attending Brown University," said one young Sabra on Tom Snyder's NBC **Tomorrow** show. She has been a Moonie for three years. An attempt to obtain her name from NBC was unsuccessful.

Because of Moon's growing menace, Rabbi Maurice Davis, of the White Plains Jewish Community Centre, N.Y., organized CERP (Citizens Engaged in Reuniting Parents), now consisting of over 1,000 parents who are fighting the authenticity of religious cults. "The recruits have all been brainwashed and must be deprogramed," says Rabbi Davis.

Deprograming is done by ex-cultists. "It's just a matter of making them think for themselves until they realize that Moon is using them as slave labor for his own financial interests," says Rabbi Davis and the Rev. Dr. George W. Swope, of Port Chester, N.Y., CERP's president and father of an ex-Moonie.

Because CERP cannot handle the hundreds of calls from parents coming into their office, a number of off-shoot parent groups have been formed all over the country. Wherever a Moonie has or has not been rescued, parents have organized awareness community meetings to educate the public.

Moon recently held a rally in New York's Yankee Stadium, to the tune of over a million dollar budget. Since, to Moon's disappointment, most of those in attendance turned out to be low-income Puerto Rican and Black curiosity seekers, whom Moon does not desire, Moon will be stepping up his recruiting and infiltrating campaign.

Parents of high school and college-age children are therefore urged to inform their offspring of the dangers of attending meetings and accepting invitations to unknown social and cultural events. Students should decline invitations to spend weekends in communes they know nothing about. "One evening," says Arthur Robins, "is enough to indoctrinate you for good."

Squash team to be chosen

TORONTO —

Final selection of the squash team which will represent Canada at the Maccabiah Games in July, will be made in February, according to Ruby Richman, selection chairman.

He feels that Canada has an excellent chance for a medal in squash which is making its first appearance at the Maccabiah Games.

The Canadian team will consist of five players, one captain and two alternates. The team will be coached while in Canada by squash professionals Brian and Heather McKay and a member of the McKay family will accompany the team to Israel to act as coach.

Boycott report brands Ottawa

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documents, trade opportunity offers and questionnaires;

— Tender offers received by major consulting, engineering and architectural firms in Canada generally require boycott compliance for submission of bids.

Cotler said the report demonstrates that, contrary to news reports last year, the effect of the boycott is not exaggerated. A pattern of widespread compliance and complicity emerges, he revealed in an interview Tuesday afternoon.

A distinguished roster of Canadians comprise the commission: Leo Barry of Memorial University; Harry Crowe of York University; Judy LaMarsh, former federal cabinet minister; Mr. Justice Emmet Hall, formerly of the Canadian Supreme Court; Yves Fortier, president of the Quebec Section, Canadian Bar Association; Herb Gray (L, Windsor West), a onetime minister in the Trudeau cabinet; David Lewis, former leader of the NDP in Ottawa, and Yves Caron, professor of corporate law, McGill University.

Ottawa's anti-boycott measures, as announced by External Affairs Minister Don Jamieson last October, would apply to deals in which a Canadian firm would be required to do any of the following: engage in discrimination based on the race, national or ethnic origin or religion of any Canadian or any other individual; refuse to purchase from, or sell to, any other Canadian firm; refuse to sell Canadian goods to any country; and refrain from buying goods in any country.

The minister said the withdrawal of government support programs — such as financing, market information and the aid of trade missions — would impose "very serious hardship" on companies complying with the boycott.

Critics of the measures have attacked them for containing no sanctions against companies which operate without Ottawa's assistance.

Opinions vary on universities

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effort. Administrative costs, small in all cases, are not a factor, he argues.

Toronto chapter president of the Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan, Nat Hurwich, is similarly undecided. He says the idea deserves consideration because of repetition in appeals and costs, but doubts multiple campaigns hamper UJA and Bonds drives. He also adds that multiple campaigns can, in fact, raise more money. The group's national executive director, Al Regenstreif, said a formula to split the funds would be difficult to create and would draw resistance.

Jimmy Kay, president of the Canadian Society of the Weizmann Institute, doubts the public would respond well to a single drive because of the personal appeal of certain institutions. He did say it would be worthwhile examining the degree to which university campaigns draw support away from Bond and UJA drives and any excess expenditures could be cut.

Opposing the consolidation concept, A.E. Diamond, president of Canadian Friends of Hebrew University, says the idea would not be workable in Toronto and other large centres. Administrative costs might be trimmed, but at the expense of funds raised, individual flexibility and loyalties.

It is difficult to assess the factor of administrative costs. They range from 9% at the Technion to 13-14% at Bar-Ilan. Funds raised by the university branches here are often not disclosed.

Several spokesmen note the concept of unifying fund-raising drives still raises the question of other institutions beyond the universities — technical and vocational high schools, cultural foundations, hospitals and soldiers' welfare.

Attempts to co-ordinate these groups in the past have failed because of individual loyalties, says Wayne Tanenbaum, president of Canadian Associates of Ben-Gurion University.

He doesn't rule out the possibility of merging campaigns in the future but says most organizations have abided by community guidelines to prevent overlapping with the primary UJA and Bond campaigns.

22 pre-schools face dim future

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Jewish Community Services.

The Association's main function has been to negotiate for grants and see that the Jewish schools follow the prescribed curriculum laid out by the minister of education. The new executive secretary Shalom Charles Delmar, a prominent member of the Sephardic community, is entering the intensive negotiations with the Education Department, and perhaps the Social Affairs Department if need arises, to assure that present levels of subsidization are maintained.

The Parti Quebecois victory has left the future funding of Jewish education in serious doubt. Nothing is clear about the government's intentions yet, said Delmar of his negotiations with Education Department officials.

Jewish schools, after the phasing out of the associate status with the Protestant school board three years ago, are now recognized by the Education Department in three ways: they may only have a permit, they may receive subsidies of 60% of the cost of a student's education per capita based on the average cost of a student in the public school system in that area, or 80% if the classes are deemed "in the public interest," or teach the required number of hours of French per week.

The future of any non-French instruction in Quebec has led the Council to investigate the possible expansion of the francophone Jewish schools — Ecole Maimonides and the Sephardic Academy — which recently evolved to total French-language instruction. The continued growth of French immersion classes in the day schools, which began a couple of years ago, will become a priority of the Council.

The Council will also issue a report at the end of this month on Jewish teacher training.

The Council is expected to make the results of its longtime project, COEP (Commission on Educational Planning), set up to determine the future needs of the Jewish schools, public in the weeks to come. A major turnabout in thinking has taken place since the publication of an interim report which strongly indicated that new schools be built to accommodate the growing number of day school students, said Rabbi Krentzman. "With the victory of the Parti Quebecois, the idea of going on a capital fund drive has been scrapped. There is a hesitancy to build now."

Jewish Peoples & Peretz Schools president Sydney Sederoff several months ago announced the board would begin construction of a new school in the spring on a tract of land in Cote St. Luc it has the option of buying. He told The Canadian Jewish News, however, the idea has not been put aside despite the results of the provincial election.

JPPS, the most severely crowded day school, now must house many of its students in temporary quarters.

Cantor A.L. Subar, president of the Hebrew Academy, which is being forced to vacate its present site with the sale of the Adath Israel synagogue, said it has not been decided whether it will build on the land the school has purchased in Cote St. Luc.

The Protestant school board is presently doing a study of its schools in Notre-Dame-de-Grace and there is a good possibility rental space will soon become available in these schools, Rabbi Krentzman said.

UIA fund-raising

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cational program across the province highlighting the responsibility of women giving on their own. Along with new co-chairman Harriet Whiteman of Windsor, she plans to widen the scope of activities this year.

Ocopnick indicated that although the level of giving has remained high in the province, many other countries, which traditionally had a high rate of giving, have now dropped drastically, owing to political and economic conditions.

He declared: "We have the techniques; every social experiment and pilot project that we have attempted indicate that if we do our part here in Canada, Israel's people can solve their complex social problems. The will is there, the money is not."

Concluded Serota: "Canadian Jews must undertake a critical self-examination and remember who they are, where they came from and where they want to go."

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Rahav added that "the increase in tourism was due to the continuous relaxation of the Middle East tension, and the incoming number of Christian pilgrims coming to Israel to visit the Holy Places."

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New Amsterdam kollel attempts to thwart high assimilation rate

By RUTH KAHANE

AMSTERDAM —

A kollel opened in Amsterdam six months ago has brought higher Jewish education to the Netherlands for the first time in 150 years.

Rabbi Peter Rosensweig, founder of the institute for learning, says the group of seven young families devoted to Torah study, is attempting to reverse a powerful trend towards assimilation that exists among Dutch Jews.

The members of the kollel were recruited from Britain and have all done higher Jewish studies in Israel. Rabbi Rosensweig said the Amsterdam kollel idea stems from a trend that started in Israel after 1967. It is made up of people who feel the way to improve Jewish life in a community where it is at a low ebb is to transplant into its midst a very intensive group of dedicated young families whose main task in life is Torah study.

"This acts as a sort of power station which generates its energy into the community," he said.

The Dutch Jewish population, decimated to 30,000 from 100,000 by the Holocaust, has managed to re-establish its social agencies since the end of the war. But there is little observance of traditional Jewish life, Rabbi Rosensweig said.

Their hospitals, old age homes, and university centre are staffed by mainly non-Jewish workers; the elementary Jewish school attended by about 200 children lacks religious content in its curriculum; synagogues are used chiefly by the old; and the rate of intermarriage has risen to 65%.

Rabbi Rosensweig called Dutch Jews born since the war "perverted Jews". The average Dutch young person is frightened to admit to himself or to others that he is Jewish and associates being a Jew with the problems of his parents — with persecution and destruction, he said.

Even before the war in the 1930s, the Dutch Jewish community had no vital centre for Jewish learning and its members were dropping traditions and paving the way for assimilation by taking up socialism.

Ninety per cent of the Jewish community were of the working class and were employed chiefly by the diamond industry.

"People saw not being Jewish, but belonging to the union and the programs of the unions, as a solution to their problems," Rabbi Rosensweig said.

Rabbi Peter Rosensweig is the founder of a new kollel in Amsterdam. He says he is trying to reverse a powerful trend toward assimilation that exists among Dutch Jewry.

Israel is the one focus of identification for Dutch Jews who survived the war, he said. But many of them are in and out of mental treatment centres because of the war, and their illness often reflects the ups-and-downs of the situation in Israel.

"The kollel does not directly solve these problems," Rabbi Rosensweig said. "It lifts the heart of the whole community to a different level and revives all the ailing limbs".

For the past six months, the seven members of the kollel have gone to the Jewish high school and provided 90 minutes of instruction every day. The school, subsidized by the state, has an imposed limit of two hours a week to teach religious studies. The kollel teachers give their lessons in the morning, outside official school time, and 25 to 30 of the 120 students in the school have been attending the classes regularly.

On Shabbat, members of the kollel also disperse to local synagogues and as representatives of the kollel speak on the sidra. Sermons are not a common part of Dutch services. As well, they contribute to the service in any other way that is needed.

The kollel has sent two or three families to smaller Dutch communities outside Amsterdam where no Jewish gatherings usually take place. They have a program, services, and meals together, and through this establish ties with the community. Several of the people from these communities now come to Amsterdam on Sundays to study at the kollel, some travelling two to three hours each way.

The kollel is also beginning to stimulate programs for Jewish education all over Holland by taking in associate members who want to teach and act as youth leaders. These people are given the facilities of the kollel to help them in their work and to give them guidance in their programs.

The kollel is not funded by the organized Jewish community, and on the contrary the reaction to its beginning was generally sceptical. Many individuals opposed it because members would not have secure financial footing.

The budget for the kollel's annual operations must be raised by canvassing individuals in the wealthy Dutch Jewish community and in other countries such as Germany. Rabbi Rosensweig said it will cost $120,000 to run the kollel this year.

"The kollel members and their families have radical values as compared to those of the community in which they live. They are not sure where their next month's wages are coming from."

But he emphasized that the material circumstances of the kollel's functioning are not a problem or a burden to its members.

Romanians face isolation

By MARCEL ADAMS

BUCHAREST —

Romania is a drastically changed country from the one in which I spent my early years. After 30 years, my wife and I returned there to find Romania rigidly Communist with the state controlling all the activities of its citizens. Everybody is employed by the government and is forced into the mold. The party "knows best" in all matters.

Romania's involvement in the Second World War on the side of Germany and its defeat thereafter ended in an agreement by which the Romanians had to pay war reparations to the USSR for a period of 20 years. Only since 1965 could they start a program of internal development to catch up with the 20th century. Indeed they are industrializing at a tremendous speed, building the cities, irrigating the land and trying to achieve the status of an industrial nation. In this endeavor, they are trading with the West whom they are anxious to imitate.

The Soviets tolerate this liberal external policy as long as, internally, the Communist party has a firm grip. Only a small minority are members of the party. The rest of the population does not involve itself in public affairs but rather submits to the policies traced by the leaders. They are passive and even when they complain they are resigned to their fate.

The once flourishing and active Jewish community of close to one million has dwindled to about 60,000 souls. During the war, the Nazis exterminated some 425,000 Jews; the majority of the survivors emigrated to Israel, where they form the largest ethnic group, second only to the Sabras. Some others dispersed throughout the world. With a few exceptions, they are permitted to leave Romania if they so desire. However, at this point in time, few avail themselves of this privilege, as about one-third are fully assimilated or have intermarried and the rest are mostly old people who don't care to begin life anew in strange lands.

The synagogues are well-kept and maintained by the government, but few participate in the services. Yiddish theatre in Bucharest opens its doors to an audience of as few as 12-15 people. It is state-subsidized and even so, it will eventually cease to function as actors are all advanced in age. The director was proud to mention that it is the only one of its kind outside Israel.

While visiting my native city, a small place in the Carpathian mountains, a former neighbor, Mr. S. recognized me. He was very happy to introduce me to the changes which occurred in the neighborhood such as the new housing, a satellite suburb newly built around a petrochemical industrial complex, and told me about the departure of the Jews from the city; out of some 8,000 people who lived there before the Second World War, hardly 500 are left. Some still continue to emigrate, some die out and in 10-15 years nobody will be around.

A feeling of loneliness, isolation and despair permeates all conversations. Mr. S. does not intend to leave. Where could he relocate and become an adjusted citizen not knowing any foreign language at the age of 57? On the other hand, how could he live among aliens and end his days surrounded by strangers? His Gentile neighbors express their surprise that he does not emigrate, where after all he belongs to a group that is lucky enough to be allowed to leave Romania. Mr. S. is full of anxiety with the thought that one day, his telephone will stop ringing because none of his immediate circle will still be around.

Others expressed the same worries and often held our hands to prolong the contact with another fellow Jew, reassuring themselves that they are not alone.

Romania is a beautiful country, scenic and potentially rich. Its people are kind, but sad and unenthusiastic. Life is rather harsh and drab and deprives them of the "joie de vivre" so necessary to contentment. Do they lack hope for a better tomorrow? For us, it was a sentimental journey. We were glad to have been there and yet we were somewhat saddened by the experience.

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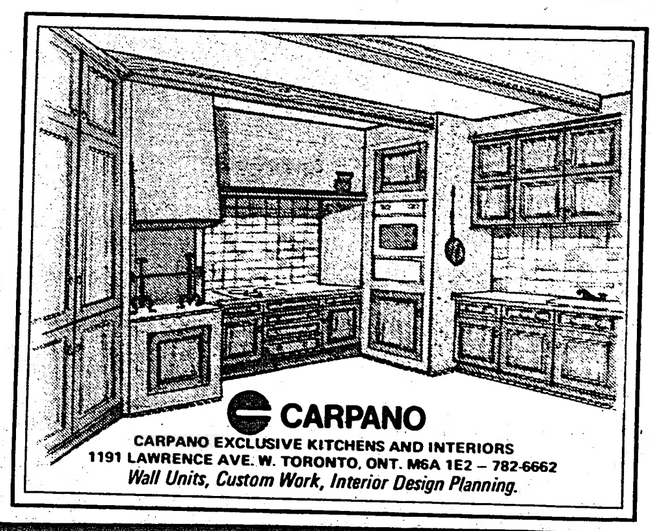

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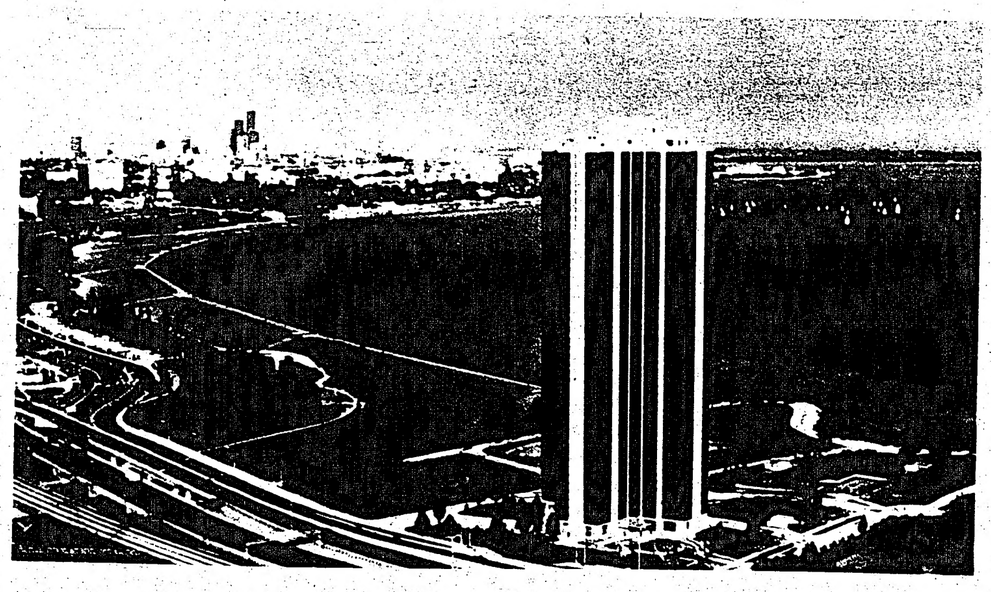

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